#### **GABON**

## **Summary**

The list of Delegates that the FIDE Secretariat published on the FIDE website on 16 June 2014 pursuant to Article 5.A(1) of the Electoral Regulations ("16 June FIDE Delegate List") states that the Delegate for "Gabon" is "Ghobrial Ayad GHOBRIAL" ("Mr. Ghobrial"). <sup>1</sup> This is incorrect. As at 16 June 2014, the only person who had ever been elected FIDE Delegate for the FIDE member federation for Gabon (the "Association Pour Le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG)") was Mr. Barthélémy Bongo Akanga Ndjila. Mr. Ghobrial has never been elected FIDE Delegate for ADEG.

As the facts below and documentation attached clearly show, the listing of Mr. Ghobrial's name as the Gabon Delegate on the 16 June Delegate List has been procured through fraud and the FIDE Secretariat has permitted and abetted this fraud against the legitimate Delegate for Gabon (Mr. Bongo), ADEG and the Gabonese Republic. The motivation appears to be that the imposters support the incumbent FIDE President Kirsan Ilyumzhinov in the 2014 FIDE elections.

Mr. Ghobrial must be replaced by Mr. Bongo on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List. FIDE had no basis upon which to replace Mr. Bongo as the Delegate for the member federation for Gabon on the FIDE website and to list Mr. Ghobrial as the Gabon Delegate on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List. Mr. Bongo must: (i) immediately be restored to the FIDE website as the Delegate for the member federation for Gabon, (ii) be included on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List as the Gabon Delegate, and (iii) be included on the final list of Delegates to be published on 14 July 2014 (the "14 July FIDE Delegate List") as the Delegate for Gabon.

## **Background**<sup>2</sup>

ADEG has been the chess federation for Gabon affiliated with FIDE since 2007

In October 2007, ADEG submitted to FIDE its application for FIDE membership ("FIDE Membership Application").<sup>3</sup> The application was supported by a letter from the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport and a letter from the Gabon National Olympic Committee ("GNOC") to the

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See the 16 June FIDE Delegate List: http://www.fide.com/images/stories/NEWS\_2014/FIDE\_news/Congress/List\_of\_delegates\_for\_85th\_Congress. pdf (last visited, 27 June 2014) (attached at Appendix 1 to the 30 June 2014 letter to which this complaint is attached ("30 June 2014 Complaint Letter")).

A Chronology of Key Events is attached at **Appendix G-1**.

ADEG Petition for membership to FIDE dated 30 Oct 2007 (attached at **Appendix G-2**) is listed as annex 5a to the agenda and in the minutes of the 2007 FIDE Executive Board meeting in Antalya ("2007 FIDE EB Minutes") (http://www.fide.com/images/stories/NEWS/download/annexes/eb2007/minutes2007.pdf) (attached at **Appendix G-3** (excerpt)).

Secretary General of FIDE stating, *inter alia*, that the GNOC granted consent for Gabon's proposed affiliation with FIDE "through ADEG." <sup>4</sup>

ADEG's officers, as listed in ADEG's FIDE Membership Application were as follows:<sup>5</sup>

President: BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

Assistant General Secretary: IVAN TRICKOVIC
Treasurer: Gabrial AYAD<sup>6</sup>
General Secretary: OUATTARA Alain

Vice-president: MOULAIN AYOBO Jean Pierre

No person was named FIDE delegate at this time. The letter from the GNOC also confirmed that "Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA DJILA" would be the President of ADEG.

On 14 – 16 November 2007, during the 78<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress Executive Board meeting, the FIDE Executive Board referred ADEG's application to "the next meeting of the Presidential Board."

On 21-22 December 2007, during the Presidential Board meeting in Singapore, the Presidential Board "approved the application of Gabon to be its  $162^{nd}$  Member." As ADEG was the only organization from Gabon that had submitted an application for FIDE membership at this time, it is clear that the Presidential Board's approval was for ADEG's application.

As at 23 October 2013, the listing for Gabon on the FIDE online directory thus correctly showed the following:

Federation Name: Association Pour Le Developement des Echecs Au Gabon

(ADEG) (2007)

President: Mr. Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY

General Secretary: Mr. Ouatara ALAIN
General Secretary Assistant: Mr. Ivan TRICKOVIC<sup>9</sup>

ADEG's FIDE Membership Application, p. 1 (attached at **Appendix G-2**).

ADEG's FIDE Membership Application, Questionnaire, item 4 (attached at **Appendix G-2**). We have translated French titles into English.

We have been advised by Mr. Bongo that the person named as ADEG Treasurer on ADEG's FIDE Membership Application – "Gabrial Ayad" – is Mr. Ghobrial.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 2007 FIDE EB Minutes (attached at **Appendix G-3** (excerpt)).

FIDE Press Release dated 24 December 2007: http://www.fide.com/component/content/article/3-news/1592-83-press-release---presidential-board-meeting-in-singapore.html (last visited, 29 June 2014) (attached at **Appendix G-4**).

Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 23 October 2013 (attached at Appendix G-6).

# On 15 February 2014, ADEG holds elections and decides to support Garry Kasparov for the 2014 FIDE elections

On 8 February 2014, Mr. Bongo met with Mr. Kasparov in Kinshasa.<sup>10</sup> At the time, Mr. Bongo and other ADEG members were preparing for the first ADEG General Assembly meeting and elections for ADEG's Executive Board since ADEG's affiliation with FIDE in 2007. This was to take place on Saturday, 15 February 2014.

On 15 February 2014, <u>before</u> ADEG's first election since its formation, Mr. Bongo was surprised to discover that without prior notice or authorization from him, the names of the officers for Gabon on the FIDE website had been changed. The federation name remained "Association Pour Le Developement des Echecs Au Gabon (ADEG)" but the following persons were now listed as ADEG officers:<sup>11</sup>

President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA

Delegate: Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial IBRAHIM General Secretary: Mr. Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL

None of the above individuals had ever been elected into these positions. The person listed as Delegate and General Secretary on the FIDE website, Mr. Ghobrial, was ADEG's Treasurer in ADEG's FIDE Membership Application, <u>not</u> its Delegate or General Secretary.<sup>12</sup> Moreover, these changes were contrary to the ADEG Statutes, Article 5 (submitted with ADEG's FIDE Membership Application), which required that the ADEG Executive Board comprise at least three officials.<sup>13</sup>

Subsequently, at the ADEG General Assembly meeting on 15 February 2014 ("15 February ADEG GA meeting"), at which 15 people were present, the following persons were elected to ADEG's Executive Board:

<u>President:</u> <u>Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick</u>

General Secretary: Mr. AKOMA Steave
Assistant General Secretary: Mr. NTOUGOU Gabriel

Treasurer: Mr. NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles

FIDE Delegate: Mr. BONGO AKANGA NDJILA

Barthélémy<sup>14</sup>

See Letter from L.Houari dated 15 June 2014 in French with English translation, attaching Letter from B. Bongo (attached at Appendix G-7).

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Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 15 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-8**).

See ADEG's FIDE Membership Application, Questionnaire, item 4 (attached at **Appendix G-2**).

See ADEG Statutes attached at ADEG's FIDE Membership Application, (attached at Appendix G-2) ("The Committee of Directors is composed of 3 members at least and of 12 members at most.") (our translation from French into English).

<sup>15</sup> Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 1 (emphasis added) (attached at **Appendix G-9**).

The above defeated the following individuals for the corresponding positions:

President: Mr. YALA Nicaise
General Secretary: Mr. [no candidate]

Assistant General Secretary: Mr. MARGUERITE Alain

Treasurer: Mr. KASSA Steeve FIDE Delegate: Mr. AYAD Ghobrial

The above is clearly reflected in the Minutes of the 15 February 2014 ADEG General Assembly meeting ("15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes"). The 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes also clearly show that the incumbent "President of ADEG" at the time of the elections was Mr. Bongo. <sup>16</sup>

By this time, Mr. Bongo had learned that under Gabonese association law, the majority of the directors on ADEG's board had to be Gabonese. This was discussed at the 15 February ADEG GA meeting, as confirmed by the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes:

"The Minister of the Interior of Gabon had expressly asked that the majority of all key positions be occupied by nationals. Unfortunately this would apply to Mr. MARGUERITE Alain, who [is] French and Mr. AYAD Ghobrial, who [is] was Egyptian."; and

Mr. AYAD Ghobrial "[could not] represent [Gabon] at FIDE." 17

Therefore the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes clearly show that Mr. Ghobrial's candidacy for FIDE Delegate was expressly considered and ADEG members decided not to elect him.

During the 15 February ADEG GA meeting, amendments were also made to the ADEG statutes, as reflected in the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes. 18

Following the elections, a decision was made by the ADEG members present to support Mr. Kasparov's candidacy in the 2014 FIDE elections to be held in Tromso, Norway.

The following events corroborate the facts set forth above concerning the 15 February 2014 ADEG election results and the decision of the ADEG members to support Mr. Kasparov:

• On 18 February 2014, Mr. Bongo e-mailed several African chess federations, reporting on the elections and the newly elected officers of ADEG. <sup>19</sup> The names of the newly elected officers in this e-mail are consistent with the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes.

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<sup>15</sup> Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 6 (emphasis added) (attached at **Appendix G-9**).

See 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 1 (Mr. Bongo referred to as the "current President of ADEG") (attached at Appendix G-9) (our translations from French into English).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 6 (attached at **Appendix G-9**) (our translation from French into English).

See 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 1 (attached at **Appendix G-9**).

• On 19 February 2014, ADEG issued a letter, signed by its newly elected President Mr. Ndong, stating that in the 15 February ADEG GA meeting, members of [ADEG] had "decided to support the candidacy of Mr. Kasparov to head FIDE in the elections to be held in August 2014."<sup>20</sup>

The individuals who ran for President and Delegate of FIDE on 15 February 2014 but were defeated convince FIDE to make incorrect changes to the website

Between 15 February 2014 and 21 February 2014, the information for ADEG on FIDE's website was again modified. This time, FIDE had mysteriously made the following changes:

- (1) The "Federation Name" was changed from "Association Pour Le Development des Echecs Au Gabon (ADEG) (2007)" to "Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE) (2007)."<sup>21</sup>
- (2) The names of the officers were changed as follows:

Listing for Gabon as at 15 February 2014:<sup>22</sup>

President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA

Delegate: Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial IBRAHIM General Secretary: Mr. Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL

Listing for Gabon as at 21 February 2014:<sup>23</sup>

President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA General Secretary: Mr. Steed KASSA

Delegate & Assistant to General Secretary: Mr. Ghobrial Ayad GHOBRIAL

Treasurer: Mr. Georges Pandi SOULA

Assistant to Treasurer: Mr. Jacky Sala KERIMAPAG Technical Advisor: Mr. Alain Alfred MARGUERITE

On 21 February 2014, Mr. Steave Akoma, ADEG's newly elected General Secretary, sent an email to the FIDE Secretariat with a copy to FIDE's Executive Director Nigel Freeman ("21 Feb ADEG E-mail"), informing them about ADEG's 15 February elections and attaching:

• a list of the newly elected officers, consistent with the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes;

See E-mail from B. Bongo to "a.i.d.e.f@aol.fr" et. al. dated 18 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-11**).

See Letter from P. Ndong dated 19 February 2014 (attached at Appendix G-12) (our translations from French into English).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-15**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 15 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-8**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-15**).

- the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes;
- ADEG's full list of members and their respective nationalities. Mr. Ghobrial was listed as "Egyptian."
- a letter from ADEG's newly elected President, Mr. Ndong, to FIDE's President dated 21 February 2014 ("21 Feb ADEG Letter") (also sent separately via e-mail by Mr. Ndong to the FIDE Secretariat)<sup>24</sup> reporting, *inter alia*, that at the 15 February ADEG GA meeting, Mr. Ndong has been elected to replace Mr. Bongo as President of ADEG and Mr. Bongo had become the FIDE Delegate for Gabon.
- ADEG's new statutes; and
- ADEG's new internal regulations.<sup>25</sup>

It had become clear to ADEG's officials that Mr. Ghobrial had been writing to the FIDE Secretariat to procure changes to ADEG's information on FIDE's website. In the 21 Feb ADEG E-mail, Mr. Akoma thus stated:

"We told M. AYAD Ghobrial ... Ghobrial Ghobrial Ibrahim Ayad Ayad or Mr. Ghobrial – Ghobrial : this is the same person just e-mail change) to stop writing to the FIDE because it is not Gabonese. It is Egyptian. And he has no qualification Inside ADEG to write to the directory of the [Fide]."

Similarly, in the 21 Feb ADEG Letter, Mr. Ndong stated that it was not acceptable for the FIDE Secretariat to permit any individual who claimed to belong to ADEG to "write to change all the information regarding [ADEG's] associative structure." Mr. Ndong requested that the information on ADEG be corrected.

Also on 21 February 2014, Mr. Yala (who, it is recalled, ran for ADEG President at the 15 February 2014 ADEG GA meeting but was defeated), in an e-mail to various African federations and copied to the FIDE Secretariat, stated:<sup>26</sup>

"We note with surprise the circular email of Mr. [Bongo] where he purports that there was a General Assembly on February 15, 2014 where elections were held. Please be advised that elections for the Gabonese Chess Federation (A.D.E.G.) were held on 3 December 2013 at which the following officials were voted into office:-

President – Mr. Gabin Nicaise Yala

See E-mail from P. Ndong to FIDE Secretariat dated 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-14**).

E-mail from S. Akoma to FIDE Secretariat dated 21 February 2014 (with enclosures) (attached at **Appendix G-13**).

E-mail from G. Yala to L. Ncube and others, (cc: FIDE Secretariat) dated 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-16**.)

Secretary General – Mr. Steed Kassa

Assistant Secretary General and FIDE Delegate – Mr. Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial

Treasurer: Mr. Georges Pandi SOULA

Assistant Treasurer: Mr. Jacky Sala KERIMAPAG Technical Advisor: Mr. Alain Alfred MARGUERITE"

Mr. Yala further claimed that "notice of this change of office bearers was subsequently sent to the FIDE Secretariat and our Federation records updated as indicated on the FIDE website."

Mr. Yala's allegations are demonstrably false.

<u>First</u>, in contrast with Mr. Akoma's 21 Feb ADEG E-mail, which included signed minutes recording the elections on 15 February 2014 and various other related documents, Mr. Yala's e-mail did not provide <u>any</u> documentation to support his claims.

<u>Second</u>, Mr. Yala's claim that the individuals listed in his 21 February 2014 e-mail were elected on 3 December 2013 is inconsistent with the FIDE website directory listing for Gabon as at 15 February 2014 ("15 February FIDE Directory Listing for Gabon"), which shows only the positions of "President," "Delegate" and "General Secretary"; and not those of Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Technical Advisor or Assistant Secretary General.<sup>27</sup> If these positions had been elected on 3 December 2013, they would have been notified to FIDE and listed on 15 February 2014 (as they subsequently were on 21 February 2014<sup>28</sup>).

<u>Third</u>, Mr. Yala's claim that the individuals listed in his 21 February 2014 e-mail were elected on 3 December 2013 is also inconsistent with the 15 February FIDE Directory Listing for Gabon because Mr. Yala's e-mail states that "Mr Steed Kassa" was elected Secretary General, while the 15 February FIDE Directory Listing for Gabon shows "Mr. Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL" as "General Secretary" (Mr. Steed Kassa was listed as General Secretary only on 21 February 2014<sup>30</sup>).

<u>Fourth</u>, of the fifteen attendees at the 15 February ADEG GA meeting, seven did not stand for election for any position.<sup>31</sup> We have received signed statements ("ADEG Members' Statements") from five of the seven individuals, each attesting to the following: they attended the 15 February ADEG GA meeting; during the 15 Feb ADEG GA meeting, elections to the board of ADEG were held; the names of the persons elected and the corresponding positions (these are fully consistent with the 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes); the 15 February ADEG GA meeting is the only General Assembly meeting of ADEG that they have ever attended; to their knowledge no ADEG GA meeting was held on 3 December 2013; and after the election, the members of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 15 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-8**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-15**).

Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 15 February 2014 (attached at Appendix G-8).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 21 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-15**).

See 15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes, p. 1 (attached at **Appendix G-9**).

ADEG decided to support the candidacy of Mr. Garry Kasparov in the FIDE elections in August 2014.<sup>32</sup>

FIDE, however, maintained the incorrect information for Gabon on its website directory.

<u>FIDE maintains the incorrect accreditation of AGE and its imposter President and Delegate, Messrs. Yala and Ghobrial, and claims that Gabon has nominated the Ilyumzhinov ticket for the 2014 elections</u>

On 10 May 2014, Mr. Yala sent to the FIDE Secretariat a letter of nomination for Mr. Kirsan Ilyumzhinov's ticket in the 2014 FIDE elections, signed by himself purportedly as "President of the Federation of GABON." The manipulation of the FIDE website directory listing for Gabon thus permitted Mr. Yala to hold himself out as the President of the FIDE-affiliated member federation for Gabon. The manipulation of the President of the FIDE-affiliated member federation for Gabon.

Shortly after this, on 12 May 2014, the FIDE Secretariat announced on its website that "Gabon" was one of the "national federations" that had nominated the Presidential ticket of Kirsan Ilymzhinov.<sup>35</sup>

The FIDE Secretariat ignored letters from Gabon's authorities confirming that only ADEG has permission to represent Gabon at the national and international level

In the Minutes of the 2000 FIDE Congress, Section 2.1.1, FIDE's long-standing Deputy President Mr. Makropoulos, summarizing FIDE's practice as to situations where there are federations competing for recognition by FIDE, is recorded as stating that "what is important is which body is recognised by their official authorities." <sup>36</sup>

Thus, it is significant that on 19 May 2014, the Gabon National Olympic Committee issued a letter stating that ADEG had "permission to represent Gabon at the national and international level." <sup>37</sup>

quotations are our translations from French into English).

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Statements by Bibang Daryl, Boussiengui Parfait, Fabien Edou Menie, Taty Charles Stephane, and Markosso Vatel (attached at **Appendix G-10**).

See E-mail from "gabin yala" to the FIDE Secretariat dated 10 May 2014, attaching "Letter of Nomination for Presidential Ticket for Elections 2014 (to be Submitted by Presidents of Federations Wishing to Make a Nomination)" (attached at Appendix G-19).

FIDE announcement dated 12 May 2014 at http://www.fide.com/component/content/article/1-fide-news/6343-83rd-fide-congress-agenda.html (last visited, 29 June 2014) (attached at **Appendix G-20**).

FIDE announcement dated 12 May 2014 at http://www.fide.com/component/content/article/1-fide-news/6343-83rd-fide-congress-agenda.html (last visited, 29 June 2014) (attached at **Appendix G-20**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> 2000 FIDE Congress Minutes, p. 15, Section 2.1.1 (attached at **Appendix G-1A**).

Letter from the Gabon National Olympic Committee dated 19 May 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-21**) (the

Further, on 30 May 2014, Dr. Nicole Christiane Assele, the Secretary General of the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport, issued a letter to the President of FIDE (copied to the President of Gabon) ("30 May Ministry of Youth and Sport Letter"), which states *inter alia* that "[AGE] having no statutory recognition and technical legality, cannot claim to represent our country ... ADEG is the only association empowered to represent Gabon both inside and outside the country."<sup>38</sup>

Despite having been provided with these letters, FIDE made no changes to its directory listing for Gabon on the FIDE website.

The FIDE Secretariat ignored repeated requests by ADEG and the Kasparov ticket to correct the information on FIDE's website in the absence of proof that any organization other than ADEG has the permission of Gabon's authorities to represent Gabon in chess, and lists Mr. Gobrial as the Delegate for Gabon on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List

As at 4 June 2014, as a result of the unauthorized changes to ADEG's information on the FIDE website, ADEG was unable to register new chess players on FIDE's website.<sup>39</sup> Between 6 June 2014 and 16 June 2014, repeated requests were made to the FIDE Secretariat and to Mr. Freeman directly to correct the information on FIDE's website and to provide explanations as to why such information had not been corrected:

- On 5 June 2014, the recently elected Assistant General Secretary of ADEG, Mr. Ntougou, e-mailed the FIDE Secretariat regarding its failure to correct the information on FIDE's website despite the "notifications [FIDE] [had] received from both the Ministry of Sport of Gabon and the National Olympic Committee." Mr. Ntougou emphasized that "AGE must be replaced by ADEG..."
- On 6 June 2014, Mr. Ntougou again e-mailed the FIDE Secretariat and recounted the facts:

"In February 2014, ADEG organized an Extraordinary General Assembly in order to elect a new executive team ... However the loser team manifestly did not agree with the final decision of the Assembly. They then got together into an association under the name of AGE (Association Gabonaise des Echecs).

By subversive manners and unknown means, they successfully managed to bypass FIDE's organization rules and bylaws to change the posting of Gabon from ADEG to AGE on the FIDE website. The latter association has no proof of

Letter from Dr. Nicole Christiane Assele, the Secretary General of the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport, to the President of FIDE (copied to the President of Gabon) dated 30 May 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-22**) (the quotations are our translations from French into English).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> See E-mail from B. Bongo to V. Kukaev dated 4 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-23**).

E-mail from G.Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat et. al. dated 5 June 2014 at 11.30 PM. (attached at **Appendix G-24**).

recognition from any Gabonese authority. In fact, its recognition request has been stopped immediately by our national sport ruling bodies, i.e. The Ministry of Sports and the National Olympic Committee for non conformity and illegal attempt to represent Gabon abroad."

• On 6 June 2014, Mr. Lewis Ncube, who resides in Africa and was elected FIDE Vice President in 2010 on Kirsan Ilyumzhinov's ticket and continues to support Mr. Ilyumzhinov, claimed that in meetings which Mr. Ncube claimed he attended with "(i) the Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Sport in February/March 2014; (ii) the Director of Sport in the Ministry of Sport in April 2014; and (iii) the Minister of Sport in May 2014" "both bodies advised that there was NO approved and recognised body to run affairs of chess in Gabon."

Mr. Ncube's assertions are not supported by <u>any</u> documentary evidence. In particular, Mr. Ncube failed to attach any agenda, notes or minutes of his alleged meetings with the Gabon Ministry of Sport or the Gabon Minister of Sport. To the contrary, Mr. Ncube suggested that the AGED representatives should "obtain and circulate minutes of [his] meetings" with the Ministry of Sport!<sup>43</sup>

Even if Mr. Ncube's statements are believed (which, absent documentary evidence they cannot), at best, they would establish that neither ADEG <u>nor</u> "AGE" is recognized, which means that "AGE"'s information <u>should also have been removed</u> from FIDE's website. Yet this is not how the FIDE Secretariat has proceeded.

- In an e-mail to FIDE General Secretary Ignatius Leong and Mr. Bongo dated 6 June 2014, Mr. Freeman had claimed that he was "investigating this situation as there [were] counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and [National Olympic Committee] for another organisation." However, he also stated that he "[had] asked to receive proof of these claims." This confirms that he did not then possess such proof.
- Subsequent requests made on 6 and 9 June 2014 that the FIDE Secretariat correct the FIDE website also were ignored. 45
- Similarly, repeated requests by Secretary General Leong were ignored:<sup>46</sup>

E-mail from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat, N. Freeman, et. al. dated 6 June 2014 at 13:07:17 hours (attached at **Appendix G-24**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> See E-mail from L. Ncube to G. Ntougou et. al. dated 6 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-24**).

<sup>43</sup> See E-mail from L. Ncube to G. Ntougou et. al. dated 6 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-24**).

<sup>44</sup> See E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 6 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-23**).

See, e.g., E-mail from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat, N. Freeman et al. dated 6 June 2014 at 19:02 hours (attached at **Appendix G-24**); E-mail from G.Jurgensen to FIDE Secretariat et al. dated 9 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-24**)

- On 11 June, Mr. Leong pointed out that "no proof [had] been furnished for the assertions by AGE and Lewis Ncube that "there [were] counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and NOC for another organization" and that "the ADEG data should be posted pending any investigation of "counter-claims" as ADEG's claim on its face [was] the only legitimate one."
- On 13 June 2014, Mr. Freeman finally responded that he had "written to Dr. Nicole Assele, the Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Youth and Sport to clear this up" and "was awaiting her response."
- O By e-mail dated 13 June 2014, FIDE General Secretary Ignatius Leong asked Mr. Freeman to explain why "[he] [chose] not to list on the site the representatives of Gabon who [had] submitted extensive paperwork certifying prima facie their legitimacy, and instead continue[d] to list individuals who [had] not provided any such proof?"
- Notwithstanding the above e-mails, as at 15 June 2014, FIDE's website continued to show the incorrect information for Gabon.<sup>48</sup>
- On 15 June 2014, Mr. Kasparov wrote to Mr. Freeman and formally requested that FIDE's website be corrected immediately by removing AGE's information and replacing it with ADEG's information and that Mr. Bongo be listed as the Delegate for Gabon in the 16 June FIDE Delegate List.<sup>49</sup> This request was ignored.
- On the same day, Mr. Freeman finally responded to Mr. Leong's e-mail of 13 June 2014, this time stating that the FIDE Secretariat had "yet to receive a reply to [their] letter from Dr. Assele," without explaining why it was necessary to write to Dr. Assele when she had already clearly stated in her 30 May letter that AGE "having no statutory recognition and technical legality, [could not] claim to represent our country ... ADEG [was] the only association empowered to represent Gabon both inside and outside the country." (Moreover, Mr. Freeman has now received the reply to this letter and, even though the

See E-mail exchanges between I. Leong and N. Freeman dated between 11 June 2014 and 16 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-25**).

E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 13 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-25**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> See Screenshot of FIDE website Gabon listing as at 15 June 2014 (copy attached at **Appendix G-26**).

E-mail from G. Kasparov to N. Freeman dated 15 June 2014, attaching letter from G. Kasparov to N. Freeman dated 15 June 2014 (attached (without appendices) at **Appendix G-27**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 16 June 2014 at 4:14 PM (attached at **Appendix G-28**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> 30 May Ministry of Youth and Sport Letter (attached at **Appendix G-22**) (the quotations are our translations from French into English).

reply confirms that ADEG is the only association empowered to represent Gabon on a national and international level, <sup>52</sup> has not changed the information for Gabon.)

- Mr. Freeman also suggested that "depending on the reply received from Dr. Assele and on the filing of an application, [FIDE Secretariat] [would] therefore put the matter of whether to continue to recognize AGE or to recognize ADEG as the national federation of Gabon on the Agenda for the General Assembly." This is astonishing Mr. Freeman simply ignored the evidence that Mr. Kasparov had submitted by his e-mail dated 15 June 2014, showing that ADEG had already filled out an application, and that in 2007, the Presidential Board had "approved the application of Gabon to be its 162<sup>nd</sup> Member." Member. Again, he provided no evidence whatsoever in support of his claim that ADEG has seized to exist or that its name was changed. All the documentary evidence that is available shows the opposite.
- On 16 June 2014,<sup>54</sup> Ms. Ank Santens wrote to Mr. Freeman ("W&C 16 June E-mail"), referring to his e-mail to Mr. Leong dated 16 June, and pointed out:

"ADEG was at all times the valid association until you replaced it by AGE on the FIDE website without any prior notice and without any valid basis after Gabon supported the Kasparov ticket for the 2014 FIDE Presidential Elections. See for instance attached a print-out of the FIDE Directory of 3 September 2013 listing ADEG as the valid representative of Gabon and Mr. Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY as its President []. You should instead have "checked the Statutes regarding AGE's potential admission as a member as a replacement for AGED" before you replaced AGED by AGE. Clearly you did not do that and you are now turning matters on their head.

Gabon has already been admitted as a member of FIDE ... the only decision to be made now is who is the valid representative of the Gabon chess federation for purposes of voting in the 2014 FIDE elections. If in doubt, that decision must be made by the Electoral Commission, not the General Assembly...

- ... You place importance on the letter you wrote to Dr. Assele but you already have a letter from Dr. Assele firmly attesting to the validity of AGED and the lack of validity of AGE. Unless you receive proof to the contrary, that letter controls."
- Mr. Freeman simply ignored these arguments and proceeded to list Mr. Ghobrial as the Delegate for Gabon on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List.<sup>55</sup>

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Letter from Ministry of Youth and Sport to FIDE President dated 25 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-33**).

FIDE Press Release dated 24 December 2007: http://www.fide.com/component/content/article/3-news/1592-83-press-release---presidential-board-meeting-in-singapore.html (last visited, 29 June 2014) (attached at **Appendix G-4**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> E-mail from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 16 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-29**).

# The FIDE Secretariat continues to deny ADEG and its officials, as well as the Kasparov ticket, due process

Since the 16 June FIDE Delegate List has been posted, the FIDE Secretariat has continued to deny ADEG and the Kasparov ticket due process, in refusing to provide any of the documentation that they allegedly relied upon in concluding (despite the overwhelming evidence submitted by ADEG to the contrary) that Mr. Ghobrial is the Delegate for Gabon.

On 23 June 2014, seven days after the W&C 16 June E-mail, Mr. Freeman belatedly attempted to justify his position. Suddenly, the story changed.

- Mr. Freeman had previously made vague assertions about "counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and [National Olympic Committee] for another organization," and said that he "[had] asked to receive proof of these claims."
- In his 13 June e-mail, Mr. Freeman instead said that he had "written to Dr. Nicole Assele, the Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Youth and Sport to clear this up" and "was awaiting her response." <sup>57</sup>
- In his 23 June e-mail, Mr. Freeman for the first time claimed that on 17 February 2014, FIDE had received an e-mail "from the Delegate of the national member federation of Gabon ... Mr. Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial," who "informed [FIDE] that ADEG had changed its name and that the federation was now called "Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE)." Mr. Freeman further claimed that Mr. Ghobrial had "requested that FIDE [change] the name of the federation on its website," that "said request was reiterated on 19 February 2014," and that "accordingly FIDE changed the name of the federation on its website." Mr. Freeman also stated that "it appears that a new federation has been created later, which [had] decided to call itself "ADEG" again. However it [was] [his] understanding that this federation [did] not have any relationship with the previous "ADEG" association."

<u>First</u>, we do not know whether these allegations are true, as Mr. Freeman to date has refused to provide a copy of the purported 17 and 19 February communications.<sup>59</sup>

See 16 June FIDE Delegate List: http://www.fide.com/images/stories/NEWS\_2014/FIDE\_news/Congress/List\_of\_delegates\_for\_85th\_Congress. pdf (last visited, 27 June 2014) (attached at Appendix 1 to the 30 June 2014 Complaint Letter).

See E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 6 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-23**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 13 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-25**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> See E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 23 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-30**).

See E-mail from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 23 June 2014 (attached at Appendix G-31); E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 24 June 2014 (attached at Appendix G-32).

<u>Second</u>, even if Mr. Freeman's assertions are true,<sup>60</sup> as shown above, as at 17 and 19 February 2014, Mr. Ghobrial was not the "Delegate of the national member federation of Gabon," as Mr. Freeman claims. Mr. Ghobrial was listed as the Treasurer for ADEG in ADEG's 2007 FIDE Membership Application. He remained in this position until 15 February 2014, when Mr. Ghobrial ran for the position of FIDE Delegate for ADEG and was <u>defeated</u>.

<u>Third</u>, as to the change of the federation name from AGED to AGE, there is absolutely <u>no</u> evidence in the record that the ADEG has applied for and been granted a change in name to "Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE)." If this had occurred, there would be AGED documentation showing an AGED board or General Assembly decision to change its name, as well as applications to the Gabonese authorities for a name change and some documentation confirming that the request was granted. No such evidence has been produced. Similarly, no evidence has been produced to support the statement that a new organization has been created which decided to call itself "ADEG" again.

- On the same day, Ms. Santens e-mailed Mr. Freeman (copying ADEG's representatives) and asked him to provide copies of the 17 and 19 February communications referred to in his 23 June e-mail, "so that the AGED representatives and the Kasparov ticket [could] see these for ourselves and assess them." She emphasized that "[d]ue process requires that this documentation be provided immediately."
- On 24 June 2014, Mr. Freeman replied to Ms. Santens alone (excluding the ADEG representatives). In what can only be described as a manifest disregard of due process, Mr. Freeman declined to provide the documents, claiming that there was "no reason to provide the candidates or their observer with documentation regarding the recognition of a national federation."

In short, Mr. Freeman has refused to provide any of the documents he relied on (if any exist), in concluding (as he apparently did) that (1) Mr. Ghobrial was the Delegate for ADEG; (2) ADEG had changed its name to AGE; (3) a new federation was created later, which decided to call itself "ADEG" again; and (4) this federation does not have any relationship with the previous "ADEG" association.

The burden is on the FIDE Secretariat to provide satisfactory documentation to establish that (a) they had authorization from the board of ADEG and proof of the change in name from ADEG to AGE; and (b) they had proof that Mr. Ghobrial was the elected Delegate of ADEG, before they proceeded to change the information on the FIDE website.

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As Mr. Freeman has denied our legitimate requests for the "copies of the 17 and 19 February communications" referenced in his e-mail, we have no way of verifying the veracity of these statements. See E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 24 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-32**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> E-mail from A. Santens to N. Freeman et al. dated 23 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-31**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 24 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-32**).

Having received the letter from Dr. Assele, which he claimed he was awaiting, Mr. Freeman has now chosen to ignore it as it contradicts his claims

On 25 June 2014, Mr. Bongo sent to the FIDE Secretariat the letter that Mr. Freeman had claimed he was waiting for from Dr. Assele.<sup>63</sup> In the letter, Dr. Assele stated:

"as it has been confirmed in previous communications addressed to the president of the FIDE, ADEG remains the only association empowered to represent [Gabon] on a national and international level."

Dr. Assele again requested FIDE to "[rectify] the error. Otherwise, those in power in the association, acting illegally, risk being sued on the national level, and found responsible for [Gabon's] withdrawal from FIDE."

In view thereof, Ms. Santens wrote to Mr. Freeman on 27 June 2014, stating *inter alia* that, given the contents of Dr. Assele's latest letter, by Mr. Freeman's own standard, his questions had been fully addressed and he should write to the ELE to alert them of the error and request that Mr. Bongo replace Mr. Ghobrial as the Delegate for Gabon on the 16 June FIDE Delegate List.<sup>64</sup> To date, to our knowledge, none of this has occurred. Indeed, as of 29 June 2014, the FIDE website directory for Gabon continues to list AGE as the federation and Mr. Yala as its President and Mr. Ghobrial as its Delegate.<sup>65</sup>

## **Jurisdiction**

The ELE has jurisdiction to decide this complaint. Mr. Freeman has confirmed that "ADEG" was admitted as a FIDE member in 2007 and therefore that it is the national federation of Gabon which has the right to vote in the General Assembly. However, he claims that ADEG's name is now "AGE" and therefore ADEG (which he claims is now called AGE) "will remain the national federation of Gabon which has the right vote in the General Assembly." <sup>66</sup>

As Mr. Freeman has confirmed that ADEG was admitted as a FIDE member, it is clear that this complaint does not raise any issue about the admission of a new member to FIDE.

The first question before the ELE is whether ADEG, the organization which Mr. Freeman accepts was admitted as a FIDE member in 2007, has in fact changed its name to AGE, as Mr. Freeman claims. The burden is on the FIDE Secretariat to show that the change in name was authorized by the executive board or General Assembly of ADEG (as named in ADEG's FIDE

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E-mail from B. Bongo to the FIDE Secretariat dated 25 June 2014, attaching letter from Ministry for Youth and Sport to FIDE President dated 25 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-33**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> E-mail from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 27 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G-34**).

<sup>65</sup> Screenshot of FIDE website directory Gabon listing as at 30 June 2014 (attached at Appendix G-35).

<sup>66</sup> E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 23 June 2014 (attached at Appendix G-30).

Membership application) and to adduce proof of approval by Gabon public authorities of the change in name.

The second question before the ELE is whether Mr. Bongo or Mr. Ghobrial is the properly elected Delegate of ADEG.

For the reasons stated in the 30 June 2014 Complaint Letter to which this complaint is attached, the ELE has jurisdiction over the question who is entitled to vote at the 2014 FIDE elections. The answers to the above questions determine who is the proper Delegate for Gabon who is entitled to vote at the elections. Therefore, the ELE clearly has jurisdiction over this complaint.

#### **Conclusion and Request for Relief**

The facts and evidence above unequivocally show that as at 16 June 2014:

- ADEG was the only federation recognized by FIDE for Gabon;
- Mr. Bongo was the elected FIDE Delegate for ADEG and should have been named as such on FIDE's website; and
- Mr. Ndong was the elected President of ADEG and should have been named as such on FIDE's website.

Due process required that ADEG's representatives be afforded the opportunity to (1) be informed of the evidence on which the FIDE Secretariat was going to make a decision against their interests as a voter (namely, to exclude their FIDE Delegate from the 16 June FIDE Delegate List, thereby denying them their right to vote); and (2) provide a response which the FIDE Secretariat should have considered. The FIDE Secretariat did not do so. We trust that the ELE will afford ADEG representatives due process.

Mr. Ndongo, President of ADEG, and Mr. Bongo, Delegate of ADEG, are willing to make themselves available to answer any questions of the ELE in connection with this complaint.

For the reasons above, we request that the ELE:

- 1. Declare that Mr. Patrick NDGONG BENGONO is the President of the FIDE member federation for Gabon;
- 2. Declare that Mr. Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA NDJILA is the Delegate of the FIDE member federation for Gabon;
- 3. Order the FIDE Secretariat to:
  - a. amend the 16 June FIDE Delegate List accordingly; and

- b. amend the federation directory listing for Gabon on the FIDE website accordingly;
- 4. List Mr. Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA NDJILA as the Delegate for Gabon on the 14 July FIDE Delegate List; and
- 5. Provide any other relief the ELE deems appropriate.

## **APPENDIX G-1**

## **CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS**

## **GABON**

Date	Event	Supporting document
2007		
30 Oct.	Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG) applies to become a member of FIDE.	ADEG Petition for membership to FIDE dated 30 Oct 2007: <b>Appendix G-2</b>
	Officers: President: BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy Assistant General Secretary: IVAN TRICKOVIC Treasurer: Gabrial AYAD General Secretary: OUATTARA Alain Vice-president: MOULAIN AYOBO Jean Pierre Application includes: Letter from Gabon National Olympic Committee ("NOC") supporting ADEG application; Letter of Gabon Ministry of Sport; ADEG Statutes; filled-out FIDE questionnaire for national federation applying for FIDE membership.	Annex 5a to Agenda and Minutes of 2007 FIDE Executive Board meeting in Antalya ("2007 FIDE Board Minutes"): Appendix G-3 (excerpt)
14-16 Nov.	FIDE Executive Board decides to refer Gabon's application for membership to the next meeting of the Presidential Board.	2007 FIDE Board Minutes: <b>Appendix G-3</b> (excerpt)
21-22 Dec.	FIDE Presidential Board approves the application of Gabon / ADEG for membership.	FIDE Press Release dated 24 December 2007: <b>Appendix G-4</b>
2013		
3 Sept.	FIDE website shows:  • Federation Name: Association Pour Le Developement des Echecs Au Gabon (ADEG) (2007)	Screenshot of FIDE website Gabon listing as at 3 September 2013: <b>Appendix G-5</b>

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	Officers:	
	President: Mr. Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY	
	General Secretary: Mr. Ouatara ALAIN	
	General Secretary Assistant: Mr. Ivan TRICKOVIC	
23 Oct.	FIDE website shows:	Screenshot of FIDE Directory for Gabon listing, 23 October
	• Federation Name: Association Pour Le Developement des Echecs Au Gabon (ADEG) (2007)	2013: <b>Appendix G-6</b>
	Officers:	
	President: Mr. Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY	
	General Secretary: Mr. Ouatara ALAIN	
	General Secretary Assistant: Mr. Ivan TRICKOVIC	
2014		
8 Feb.	B. Bongo meets G. Kasparov in Kinshasa.	Letter from L. Houari dated 15 June 2014 in French with English translation, attaching letter from B. Bongo: <b>Appendix G-7</b>
15 Feb.	FIDE website <i>before</i> ADEG General Assembly and elections shows:	Screenshot of FIDE Directory for Gabon listing, 15 February 2014: <b>Appendix G-8</b>
	• Federation Name: Association Pour Le Developement des Echecs Au Gabon (ADEG) (2007)	
	Officers:	
	President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA	
	Delegate: Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial IBRAHIM	
	General Secretary: Mr. Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL	

15 Feb.	ADEG General Assembly and elections.  Minutes of the meeting ("15 Feb ADEG GA Minutes") show:	Minutes of ADEG's General Assembly meeting dated 15 Feb. 2014: <b>Appendix G-9</b>
	<ul> <li>15 people present</li> <li>The following were elected:         <ul> <li>President: Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick</li> <li>General Secretary: Mr. AKOMA Steave</li> <li>Assistant General Secretary: Mr. NTOUGOU Gabriel</li> <li>Treasurer: Mr. NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles</li> <li>FIDE Delegate: Mr. BONGO AKANGA NDJILA</li> <li>Barthélémy</li> </ul> </li> <li>The above defeated "Equipe 2:"             <ul> <li>President: Mr. YALA Nicaise</li> <li>General Secretary: Mr [no one listed]</li> <li>Assistant General Secretary: Mr. MARGUERITE Alain</li> <li>Treasurer: Mr. KASSA Steeve</li> <li>FIDE Delegate: Mr. AYAD Ghobrial</li> </ul> </li> <li>Some changes were made to the ADEG Statutes.</li> </ul>	Letter from P. Ndong dated 19 February 2014: Appendix G- 12 (our translation from French into English)
	ADEG decides to support G. Kasparov.	
18 Feb.	Mr. Bongo sends e-mail to several African federations reporting on ADEG elections and newly elected officers.	E-mail from B. Bongo to "a.i.d.e.f@aol.fr" et al. dated 18 Feb. 2014: <b>Appendix G-11</b>
19 Feb.	Letter of support for candidacy of G. Kasparov issued by ADEG	Letter from P. Ndong dated 19 February 2014: <b>Appendix G-12</b> (our translation from French into English)
21 Feb.	ADEG Secretary General Akoma e-mails FIDE Secretariat (cc: Nigel Freeman) and informs them about 15 February elections, attaching copy of 15 Feb. ADEG GA Minutes, list of ADEG members, 19 February 2014 letter from P. Ndong to FIDE President, new ADEG statutes and new internal rules. E-mail also says:	E-mail from S. Akoma to FIDE Secretariat dated 21 Feb. 2014 (with enclosures): <b>Appendix G-13</b>

	"We told M. AYAD Ghobrial Ghobrial Ghobrial Ibrahim Ayad Ayad or Mr. Ghobrial – Ghobrial : this is the same person just e-mail change) to stop writing to the FIDE because it is not Gabonese. It is Egyptian. And he has no qualification Inside ADEG to write to the directory of the [Fide]."	
21 Feb.	<ul> <li>Mr. Ndong sends e-mail to FIDE Secretariat enclosing ADEG's letter to FIDE's President dated 21 Feb. 2014 ("21 Feb ADEG Letter"), which confirms:</li> <li>At the ADEG General Assembly, Mr. Ndong was elected to replace B.Bongo as President of ADEG;</li> <li>B.Bongo had become the FIDE Delegate for Gabon.</li> </ul>	E-mail from Mr. Ndong to FIDE Secretariat dated 21 Feb. 2014: <b>Appendix G-14</b>
21 Feb.	<ul> <li>FIDE Website shows:</li> <li>Federation Name changed to Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE) (2007)</li> <li>Officers:     President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA     General Secretary: Mr. Steed KASSA     Delegate &amp; Assistant to General Secretary: Mr. Ghobrial Ayad GHOBRIAL     Treasurer: Mr. Georges Pandi SOULA     Assistant to Treasurer: Mr. Jacky Sala KERIMAPAG     Technical Advisor: Mr. Alain Alfred MARGUERITE</li> </ul>	Screenshot of FIDE website for Gabon as at 21 Feb. 2014: Appendix G-15
21 Feb.	Yala sends e-mail to L. Ncube and others (cc FIDE Secretariat) claiming that ADEG elections were held on <u>December 3, 2013</u> at which the following officials were voted into office:  President – Gabin Nicaise Yala Secretary General – Steed Kassa Assistant Secretary General and FIDE Delegate – Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial	E-mail from G. Yala to L. Ncube and others, (cc: FIDE Secretariat) dated 21 Feb. 2014: <b>Appendix G-16</b> .  Statements by Bibang Daryl; Boussiengui Parfait; Fabien Edou Menie; Taty Charles Stephane; Markosso Vatel: <b>Appendix G-10</b>

	Treasurer: Georges Pandi Soula	
	Assistant Treasurer – Jacky Sala Kerimapag	
	Technical Advisor – Alain Alfred Marguerite	
	E-mail says "Notice of this change of office bearers was subsequently sent to the FIDE Secretariat"	
	Note:	
	No supporting documentation is provided.	
	• Mr. Yala's claims are inconsistent with 15 February FIDE Directory Listing for Gabon:	
	o 15 Feb listing only shows only the positions of "President," "Delegate" and "General Secretary"; not those of Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Technical Advisor or Assistant Secretary General	
	o Mr. Yala's e-mail states that "Mr Steed Kassa" was elected Secretary General, while the 15 February FIDE Directory Listing for Gabon shows "Mr. Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL" as "General Secretary" (Mr. Steed Kassa was listed as General Secretary only on 21 February 2014).	
	• Mr. Yala's account is contradicted by signed statements of ADEG members that attended the 15 February 2014 ADEG Ga meeting and elections.	
10 May	Mr. Yala sends to the FIDE Secretariat a letter of nomination for Mr. Kirsan Ilyumzhinov's ticket in the 2014 FIDE elections, signed by himself as "President of the Federation of GABON."	E-mail from "gabin yala" to the FIDE Secretariat dated 10 May 2014, attaching Letter of Nomination: <b>Appendix G-19</b>
12 May	FIDE announces that "Gabon" is one of the member federations that nominated Ilyumzhinov for the 2014 elections.	Announcement on FIDE website dated 12 May 2014: <b>Appendix G-20.</b>
19 May	Gabon National Olympic Committee issues letter stating that ADEG has "permission to represent Gabon at the national and international level."	Letter from GNOC dated 19 May 2014: <b>Appendix G-21</b> (our translation from French into English)
30 May	Dr. Assele, Secretary General of Gabon Ministry of Youth and	Letter from Dr. Assele, Secretary General of Ministry of

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	Sport, issues letter to President of FIDE stating that AGE has no "statutory recognition and technical legality" and cannot represent Gabon and ADEG is the only association that can represent Gabon.	Youth and Sport to President of FIDE dated 30 May 2014 : Appendix G-22
4 June	ADEG is unable to register new chess players on FIDE's website.	Email from B. Bongo to V. Kukaev dated 4 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-23</b> .
5 June	G. Ntougou emails FIDE Secretariat regarding failure to correct the information on FIDE's website despite the "notifications [FIDE] [had] received from both the Ministry of Sport of Gabon and the National Olympic Committee."	Email from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat et. al. dated 5 June 2014 at 11:30 PM.: <b>Appendix G-24</b>
5-6 June	Repeated requests made to the FIDE Secretariat and to N. Freeman directly to correct the information on FIDE's website and to	E-mail from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat et. al. dated 5 June 2014 at 11.30 PM: <b>Appendix G-24</b>
	provide explanations as to why such information had not been corrected	E-mail from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat, N. Freeman, et. al. dated 6 June 2014 at 13:07:17: <b>Appendix G-24</b>
6 June	Mr. Freeman claims that he is "investigating this situation as there are counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and [National Olympic Committee] for another organization," and he "has asked to receive proof of these claims."	Email from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 6 June 2014: Appendix G-23
6-9 June	Further requests to FIDE Secretariat to correct the FIDE website ignored	E-mail from G. Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat, N. Freeman et al. dated 6 June 2014 at 19:02 hours: Appendix G-24
		E-mail from G. Jurgensen to FIDE Secretariat et al. dated 9 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-24</b>
		E-mail exchange between I. Leong and N. Freeman between 11 June 2014 and 16 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-25</b>
13 June	N. Freeman claims that he has "written to Dr. Nicole Asseleto clear this up" and "[is] awaiting her response."	E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 13 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-25.</b>
15 June	FIDE Directory online continues to show incorrect information:  • Member federation: "AGE"  • Officials:	Screenshot of FIDE website Gabon listing as at 15 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-26</b>

	President – Gabin Nicaise Yala General Secretary – Steed Kassa Delegate & Assistant to General Secretary – Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial Treasurer: Georges Pandi Soula	
	Assistant Treasurer – Jacky Sala Kerimapag Technical Advisor – Alain Alfred Marguerite	
15 June	G. Kasparov writes to letter to N. Freeman requesting FIDE website be corrected immediately by listing B. Bongo as the Delegate for Gabon	E-mail from G. Kasparov to N. Freeman dated 15 June 2014, attaching Letter from G. Kasparov to N. Freeman dated 15 June 2014 (appendices to the letter not included): <b>Appendix G-27</b>
16 June	16 June FIDE Delegate List is posted. Shows Mr. Ghobrial as the Delegate for Gabon	16 June FIDE Delegate List: Appendix 1 to 30 June 2014 Complaint Letter
16 June	Mr. Freeman responds to I. Leong's e-mail of 13 June 2014, stating that the FIDE Secretariat has "yet to receive a reply to [their] letter from Dr. Assele,"	E-mail from N. Freeman to I. Leong dated 16 June 2014 at 4:14 PM: <b>Appendix G-28</b>
16 June	Ms. Santens writes to Mr. Freeman referring to his email to Mr. Leong dated 16 June and contending that ADEG has always been the valid association.	Email from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 16 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-29</b>
23 June	N. Freeman claims that on 17 February 2014, FIDE received an email "from the Delegate of the national member federation of Gabon Mr. Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial," who "informed [FIDE] that ADEG had changed its name and that the federation was now called "Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE)." According to Mr. Freeman, Mr. Ghobrial "requested that FIDE [change] the name of the federation on its website." This request was, according to Mr. Freeman, reiterated on 19 February 2014 and "[a]ccordingly FIDE changed the name of the federation on its website." Mr. Freeman does not provide copies of the alleged 17 and 19 February 2014 communications.	Email from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 23 June 2014: Appendix G-30

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23 June	Ms. Santens asks Mr. Freeman to provide copies of Mr. Ghobrial's 17 and 19 February 2014 communications.	E-mail from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 23 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-31</b>
24 June	Mr. Freeman refuses to provide copies of Mr. Ghobrial's 17 and 19 February 2014 communications.	E-mail from N. Freeman to A. Santens dated 24 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-32</b>
25 June	E-mail from Mr. Bongo to FIDE Secretariat (cc Nigel Freeman), attaching Letter from Dr. Assele dated 25 June 2014 reiterating that AGE has no authority to represent Gabon and ADEG is the only association that can represent Gabon and "those in power in the association, acting illegally, risk being sued on the national level, and found responsible for [Gabon's] withdrawal from FIDE."	E-mail from Mr. Bongo to FIDE Secretariat (cc Nigel Freeman), attaching letter from Dr. Assele, dated 25 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-33</b>
27 June	Ms. Santens points out that, given the contents of Dr. Assele's latest letter, by Mr. Freeman's own standard, his questions have been fully addressed and he should write to the ELE accordingly.	Email from A. Santens to N. Freeman dated 27 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-34</b>
30 June	The FIDE website directory for Gabon continues to list AGE as the federation, Mr. Yala as its President and Mr. Ghobrial as its Delegate.	Screenshot of FIDE website Gabon listing as at 30 June 2014: <b>Appendix G-35</b>

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to take a decision because it became afraid that some of the best Filipino players would not be able to participate in the Olympiad. In Teheran, he added, there were two letters from both parties and the decision was taken to recommend the NCFP to the Executive Board, and the Executive Board has made a recommendation to the General Assembly. He asked for the two parties to have five minutes each so that the delegates could decide to vote for one of them.

Mr. Enofre Manuel of the old federation read his speech. He thanked Messrs. Kelleher and Sand, whom he praised as great gentlemen, for their help. He introduced his Secretary General, Mr. Edgar de Castro. He claimed that the old federation was illegally replaced by the National Chess Federation of the Philippines, as the sole governing body of chess in the Philippines. He expressed amazement at how the month-old federation could gain recognition from the Philippine Olympic Committee and later with FIDE. He said the Philippine Chess Federation received no notice of the new application. He asked why their players were not accredited to play in the Olympiad. He said they had not been informed of charges for expulsion. He pleaded that national chess federations face difficulty in gaining NOC recognition because chess is not yet an Olympic sport, citing that chess is not even in the calendar of the Asian Games and the Southeast Asian Games to be able to claim membership in the Philippine Olympic Committee.

Mr. Casto Abundo spoke next. He said that this was a problem that has been growing for two years. He cited the problem of reduced prize moneys being forced upon players.

The top players asked for a voice in their affairs and formed a player's association to be heard. They applied with the Philippine Olympic Committee, and they were accepted. The old federation, therefore, had lost principal authority over chess in the country, he said. He cited precedents: in 1994 the Russian Chess Federation under Mr. Bebchuk was the FIDE member but the Presidential Board removed it and accepted the new federation under Mr. Makarov which was recognised by the Russian Olympic Committee. The same happened in 1975 in Mexico and in 1988 in Chile and in 1992 in Turkey. Mr. Abundo said the old federation had tried to stop the team of GM Torre from participating in the Olympiad but lost their case in court. Mr. Abundo said estafa charges had been filed against officials of the old federation because they took the money from the government for the Zonal, but had not given the money to the players who are participating in the FIDE cycle. He said that, in accordance with FIDE procedure, the Zone President visited Manila and made his recommendation, which was supported by the Continental President.

Mr. Leong gave his report as contained in his letter. Mr. Al-Hitmi gave background information as he previously summarized.

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Mr. Skripchenko cited the record of Messrs. Campomanes, Abundo and Torre. He said the new federation of the Philippines are the oldest workers.

He cited the similarity with the case in Moscow when FIDE admitted the new federation over the federation identified with Karpov.

Mr. Makropoulos said that we have a unanimous recommendation of the Executive Board with the abstention of the two members holding discussions between the two groups.

He said that what happened in the past with the Russian Chess Federation was that we accepted the federation recognised by the Russian Olympic Committee even if at that time FIDE had better relations with Karpov than Kasparov. He said that what is important is which body is recognised by their official authorities.

Mr. Makropoulos said that it is not possible to carry over the fights from the Philippines to FIDE but that we strongly try to bring the two chess communities together.

Mr. Makropoulos said that the Executive Board dealt with the matter in a very democratic manner and the decision was unanimous. He said we have full information with what is going on in the Philippines.

He reminded the body of the statement of Mr. Kelleher that both sides have negative actions. Therefore, the decision was made with the real information.

By a roll call vote among 97 federations present, 56 voted yes, 16 no and 25 abstained, the Executive Board recommendation was passed.

Mr. Abundo invited, in the FIDE spirit of Gens Una Sumus, the members of the old federation to join the National Chess Federation of the Philippines in working together for Philippine chess.

## 2.1.2 Change of Leadership in Kenya Chess Association

General Assembly noted the Executive Board discussion on Kenya and approved the change of leadership from Mr. Francis Rodriguez to Mr. Lincoln Njenga.

## 3. Financial Report.

General Assembly noted (Annex 2) the Report of the FIDE External Auditors,
Messrs Atag Ernst & Young on the financial statement of FIDE for the period

## **COMITE OLYMPIQUE GABONAIS**

Immeuble les Forestiers-BP 5117 Libreville-Gabon-Tél: 72.38.15

Libreville, le 30 octobre 2007

A Monsieur Le Secrétaire Général Fédération International des Echecs 9. Svgrou Ave. 11743 Athènes **GRECE** 

N° 0010/COG/TG

Objet : Affiliation Du Gabon à la FIDE

#### Monsieur le Secrétaire Général.

A la suite d'un examen approfondi de la pratique des échecs au Gabon, laquelle est organisée autour de l'Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG), j'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que je marque mon accord au projet d'affiliation du Gabon à la Fédération International des Echecs.

Cela se fera par le biais de l'ADEG dont les démarches de reconnaissance administrative auprès des autorités gabonaises sont en voie d'être réalisées.

Nous sommes particulièrement intéressés par les programmes de développement du GCA qui prônent l'introduction de ce sport dans les écoles et caressons le souhait que, après l'affiliation de l'ADEG à la FIDE, celle-ci puisse être éligible aux différents programmes d'aide à son développement. Nous nous engageons du reste à envisager une subvention à notre niveau, pour cette association dés lors qu'elle aura satisfait à nos exigences.

Je rappelle enfin que le bureau de l'ADEG est composé de

Président

: Barthélémy BONGO AKANDA NDJILA

Vice Président

: Jean Pierre MOULAIN AYOMBO

Secrétaire Général

: Alain OUATTARA

Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Ivan TRICKQVIC

Trésorier

: Ghabrial AYAD

En comptant sur votre détermination à voir ce sport se développer dans nos pays d'Afrique, je demeure dans l'attente de voir l'aboutissement de cette démarche pour que le Gabon prenne très rapidement part aux joutes internationales d'échecs.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire Général, l'assurance de ma parfaite considération

P le Président du Comité Olympique Gabonais

P.O Le Trésorier Général

Crésant PAMBO

Compte-rendu de la visite de Mr Lewis NCUBE Vice Président de Fédération Internationale d'Echecs à Libreville

#### Objectifs principaux:

- Aider l'Association d'Echecs locale à se structurer en Fédération Gabonaise d'Echecs (FGE) et à effectuer les formalités d'affiliation à la Fédération Internationale (FIDE) ;
- Elaborer une stratégie de développement des activités pour la FGE, notamment avec le développement d'un programme d'initiation et d'enseignement dans les écoles ;
- Identifier les besoins locaux en terme de matériel, de formation et d'assistance technique ;
- Encourager le Gabon a être présent sur la scène échiquéenne mondiale, avec notamment la participation d'une équipe gabonaise aux Olympiades d'Echecs dont la prochaine tenue sera en Octobre/Novembre 2008 ;
- Etablir des premiers contacts avec les principales administrations et organismes concernés et s'assurer du soutien du gouvernement gabonais.

A tout point de vue cette visite a été un succès en particulier grâce à une forte implication des membres de l'Association locale et tous les objectifs de la mission ont été atteints.

Mr NCUBE a pu constater un nombre important de joueurs actifs, fortement motivés avec du potentiel.

#### Personnalités rencontrées :

- Ministère de la Jeunesse, des Sports et des Loisirs : Mr le Directeur de Cabinet du Ministre avec certains des Conseillers Techniques;
- Mr Jean-François TARDIN, Conseiller Technique du Ministre d'Etat, Ministre de la Défense Nationale :
- Mme Sylvia BONGO ONDIMBA;
- MM le Vice-président et le Trésorier du Comité Olympique Gabonais ;
- La Directrice de l'Ecole privée « Le Royaume des Enfants » à Batterie IV ;
- Certains Médias locaux (RTG 1, Africa n°1, l'Union)

#### Perspectives:

- 1. Entrée du Gabon au sein de la FIDE, le Gabon sera le premier pays d'Afrique Centrale à être affilié, ce qui lui permettra de prendre le leadership sous-régional;
- 2. 2<sup>ème</sup> visite de Mr NCUBE en première semaine de décembre 2007, avec du matériel échiquéen pour démarrer (100 jeux, 50 pendules, 10 échiquiers muraux et divers petit matériels) par la suite d'autres dons de matériel sont
- 3. Organisation à Libreville du premier Open d'Echecs Officiel du Gabon aux alentours de mars/avril 2008, avec la venue probable de joueurs étrangers. A cette occasion il est prévu différents stage de formation afin de renforcer les capacités locales et de préparer l'équipe gabonaise pour les prochaines Olympiades ;
- 4. Favoriser la création et l'affiliation de fédérations nationales dans les autres pays de la sous-région, en vue de l'établissement d'un bureau sous-régional à Libreville pour l'Association Africaine d'Echecs de la FIDE;
- 5. Développement de nouveaux clubs en particulier à l'intérieur du pays ;
- Organisation du Championnat d'Afrique d'Echecs à Libreville en 2009.

Bongo Hamiga No Fich Backberg Librarille, le 24/10/2007.

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MINISTERE DE LA JEUNESSE ET DES SPORTS

SECRETARIAT GENERAL

DIRECTION GENERALE

DIRECTION DES SPORTS ET DU PLEIN-AIR

SERVICEE DES SPORTS CIVILS E T MILITAIRES

N°\_\_\_\_\_/MJS/SG/DG/DSPA/SSCM

REPUBLIQUE GABONAISE Union Travail Justice

# ATTESTATION DE RECONNAISSANCE

Je soussigné **Edouard MISSONI EDEMBI**, Directeur des Sports et du Plein-Air, attestation que l'Association dénommée: **Association des Joueurs d'échecs Gabonais** fait l'objet d'une étude par mes services en vue de la délivrance prochaine d'un agrément technique.

En foi de quoi, ce quitus lui est établi pour service et valoir ce que de droit./-

Fait à Libreville, le 17 octobre 2007

Le Directeur des Sports et du Plein-Air

Edouard MISSION DEMBI





# ADEG

## **STATUTS**

## TITRE I

## **BUT ET COMPOSITION**

## ARTICLE 1er

L'association dite « Association pour le développement Echiquéen au Gabon » (ADEG) fondée à LIBREVILLE le 28 mars 1998 est une association à but non lucratif, régie par la loi 35/62 du 10 décembre 1962.

Dénomination familière : L'Echiquier Gabonais

Sigle: Deux échiquiers.

Elle a son siège à Libreville, au cyber café (ALLEGRO), au Pavillon (troisquartier), B.P.897, Tél: 06.21.52.43, sa durée est illimitée.

## **ARTICLE 2**

Ses objectifs sont de :

- développer et de démocratiser le jeu d'échec au Gabon,
- créer la Fédération Gabonaise Echiquéenne (FGE) et homologuer cette fédération par la Fédération Internationale des Echecs (FIDE)
- créer au Gabon d'autres Clubs rattachés à l'Association, en particulier dans les Lycées et Universités,
- enseigner le jeu d'échecs dans les écoles,
- organiser le championnat échiquéen du Gabon et des manifestations échiquéennes dans des lieux publics de prestiges ou privés,
- Diffuser de l'information échiquéenne dans la presse écrite et audiovisuelle.

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## **ARTICLE 3**

L'Association se compose de membres d'honneur, bienfaiteurs ou honoraires et de membres actifs.

Le titre de membre d'honneur peut être décerné par le Comité Directeur aux personnes physiques ou morales qui rendent ou ont rendu des services à l'Association. Ce titre confère aux personnes qui l'ont obtenu le droit de faire partie de l'Association sans être tenues de payer ni cotisation annuelle, ni de droit d'entrée.

Le titre de membre bienfaiteur ou honoraire peut être décerné à toute personne qui apporte son aide à l'Association, soit en rendant des services en nature soit en versant une cotisation annuelle.

Le titre de membre actif peut être décerné à toute personne versant une cotisation annuelle dont le montant est fixé par l'Assemblé Générale et défini au règlement intérieur.

Pour acquérir la qualité de « membre », il faut être présenté par deux membres de l'Association et être agréé par le Comité Directeur.

## **ARTICLE 4**

La qualité de membre de l'Association se perd :

- par la démission
- par la radiation prononcée par le Comité Directeur, pour non paiement de la cotisation ou pour motifs graves, le membre intéressé ayant été préalablement appelé à fournir ses explications, sauf recours à l'Assemblé Générale.

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## TITRE II

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

## **ARTICLE 5:**

Les pouvoirs de direction au sein de l'Association sont exercés par un Comité Directeur, dont les membres sont élus pour un an par l'Assemblée Générale.

Les membres sortant sont rééligibles.

Le Comité Directeur est composé de trois membres au moins et de douze membres au plus.

Le Bureau de l'association comprend au minimum 1 Président, 1 Secrétaire Général et 1 Trésorier. Il comprend au maximum six membres 1 Président, 1 Vice-président, 1 Secrétaire Général, 1 Secrétaire Général adjoint, 1 Trésorier et 1 Trésorier adjoint.

Est éligible au Comité Directeur toute personne âgée de vingt et un ans au moins au jour de l'élection, en possession d'une carte nationale d'identité ou une carte de séjour gabonaise, et à jour de ses cotisations et jouissant de ses droits civils et politiques.

L'Assemblée Générale élit pour un an le Président de l'association, puis les autres membres du Comité Directeur. Le Comité Directeur se réunit, sous l'autorisation du Président et désigne en son sein les autres membres du bureau de l'association.

En cas de vacances de poste du Président, le Vice-président sera chargé d'exercer la Présidence jusqu'à la fin du mandat du Comité Directeur.

Et en cas de vacances du poste de Vice-président, le Comité Directeur se réunit pour élire un Président qui siégera jusqu'à la fin du mandat du Comité Directeur.

## **ARTICLE 6:**

Le Comité Directeur se réunit au moins une fois par mois et chaque fois qu'il est convoqué par son Président ou sur l'initiative du Bureau. La présence de la moitié des membres est nécessaire pour la validité des délibérations du Comité Directeur.





Tout membre du Comité Directeur qui aura, sans excuse acceptée par celui-ci, été absent à trois (3) séances consécutives, pourra être considéré comme démissionnaire.

Il est tenu un procès-verbal des séances. Les procès-verbaux signés par le Président et le Secrétaire sont transcrits, sans blancs ni ratures sur un registre tenu à cet effet, dont les pages sont numérotées.

Les personnes rétribuées par l'association peuvent être appelées à assister, avec voix consultative, aux séances du Comité Directeur.

## **ARTICLE 7:**

Le Président ou à défaut un membre du Comité Directeur spécialement habilité représente l'association en justice et dans tous les actes de la vie civile. Il signe, conjointement avec le Secrétaire Général, tous les documents et lettres engageant moralement l'association et avec le Trésorier, ceux l'engageant financièrement.

Les dépenses sont ordonnées par le Président.

## **ARTICLE 8:**

Les membres du Comité Directeur ne peuvent recevoir aucune rétribution à raison des fonctions qui leurs sont confiées.

Le Comité Directeur vérifie les justifications présentées à l'appui des demandes de remboursement de frais. Il statue sur ces demandes hors de la présence des intéressés.





## TITRE III

## L'ASSEMBLEE GENERALE

## **ARTICLE 9:**

L'Assemblée Générale de l'association comprend outre les membres du Comité Directeur, tous les membres actifs âgés de 18 ans au moins au jour de la réunion. Chaque membre a droit à une voix.

Les membres d'honneur ainsi que les membres bienfaiteurs ou honoraires peuvent y assister, mais avec voix consultative. Il en est de même des membres actifs de moins de 18 ans.

L'Assemblée Générale se réunit une fois par an. Elle peut en outre être convoquée exceptionnellement par le Président ou sur l'initiative du Comité Directeur ou à la demande motivée de la moitié au moins de ses membres.

Son ordre du jour est fixé par le Comité Directeur.

L'Assemblée Générale entend chaque année les rapports sur la gestion du Comité Directeur, sur la situation morale et financière de l'association. Elle approuve les comptes de l'exercice clos et vote le budget de l'exercice suivant, délibère sur les questions mises à l'ordre du jour et procède, s'il y a lieu, à l'élection du Président de l'association et des autres membres du Comité Directeur.

## **ARTICLE 10:**

La présence des deux tiers des membres de l'association est nécessaire pour la validité des délibérations de l'Assemblée Générale.

Si ce quorum n'est pas atteint, il est convoqué, avec le même ordre du jour, à quinze jours au moins d'intervalle, une deuxième Assemblée Générale qui délibère, quel que soit le nombre des membres présents.

Les décisions sont prises à la majorité absolue des voix des membres présents, soit à main levée, soit s'il est demandé par un délégué, au vote secret.







## TITRE IV

## MODIFICATIONS DES STATUTS ET DISSOLUTION

**ARTICLE 11:** 

Les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute que par une Assemblée Générale extraordinaire réunie sur la proposition du Comité Directeur ou la moitié au moins des membres dont se compose l'Assemblée Générale.

L'ordre du jour de cette Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé aux membres au moins un mois à l'avance.

L'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire ne peut valablement délibérer que si les trois quarts de ses membres sont présents.

Si cette proportion n'est pas atteinte, l'Assemblée Générale est convoquée à nouveau, mais à 15 jours au moins d'intervalle. Elle peut alors valablement délibérer quel que soit le nombre de membres présents.

Dans tous les cas, les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute qu'à la majorité des 2/3 des membres présents.

Le procès-verbal des délibérations de l'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé sans délais au Ministère de la Jeunesse, des Sports et des Loisirs.

**ARTICLE 12:** 

En cas de dissolution, l'Assemblée Générale désigne un ou plusieurs commissaires chargés de la liquidation des biens de l'association. Elle attribue l'actif net, conformément à la loi, à une ou plusieurs associations pratiquant des activités de même nature. En aucun cas, les membres de l'association ne peuvent se voir attribuer, en dehors de la reprise de leurs apports, une part quelconque des biens de l'association.

**ARTICLE 13:** 

Le Président doit effectuer les déclarations réglementaires prévues par la loi 35/62 du 10 décembre 1962 concernant notamment :

- Les modifications apportées aux statuts,
- Le changement de titre de l'association,
- Le transfert du siège social,
- Les changements survenus au sein du Comité Directeur.

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### **ARTICLE 14:**

Les règlements intérieurs sont préparés par le Comité Directeur et adoptés par l'Assemblée Générale.

Les présents statuts ont été adoptés en Assemblée Générale.

LE PRESIDENT

LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

(00241)06-21-52-43 (00241)07-94-56-84



# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ÉCHECS

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### QUESTIONNAIRE for national Federation applying for FIDE Membership

1.	Exact name of the chess Federation : ASSOCIATION POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT ECHIQUEEN AU GABON (ADEG)		
2.	Postal address : BP 897 LIBREVILLE (GABON)		
	Telephone: 00 (241) 06-21-52-43 Telefax:		
	E-mail: akanga2001@yahoo.fr; i56g@yahoo.fr; itricko@yahoo.fr		
	Telex:		
3.	Full name of President (Chairman) :BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthelemy		
4.	. Full name of Executive Director (General Secretary or other full-time official): IVAN TRICKOVIC (General Secretary adjoint); Gabrial AYAD (Trésorier); General Secretary (Mr OUATTARA Alain) goes to his country about 1year; MOULAIN AYOMBO Jean Pierre. (Vice-president)		
5.	What is (are) your national language(s)? FRENCH		
	Which of the following FIDE languages* do you prefer and what is your second choice? 1.FRENCH 2.ENGLISH		
	* English, French, German, Spanish, Russian, Arabic and Portugese are FIDE languages. FIDE Minutes are published in English.		
6.	How many individual members (players) do you have ? 200		

	How many competitions for individuals did you have last year? 1
	How many of these were for players under 16 years of age? 0
	Name your National individual champion AYOMBO ALEWINA CHAVIHOT MOULAIN Jean Pierre
7.	How many affiliated clubs do you have? 3
	How many team competitions do you organize in a year ? 0
8.	Are you the only national organization for chess in your country ?YES
	Name others (if any):
9.	Name your player(s) with FIDE titles (if any):
10	. What is the name of your official chess magazine (if any and please enclose a copy)?
11	Will your Federation have the opportunity to take part in the activities of FIDE (for example, to organize international tournaments, send representatives to official FIDE competitions) ?YES
12	Do you receive any government support ?NO
	If yes, give details, stating cash subsidy given last year or recently?
	What government department is in charge of chess? MINISTERE DE LA JEUNESSE ET DES SPORTS
13.	Does your country have a National Olympic Committee that is affiliated to the International Olympic Committee? YES
14.	What is your relationship with your National Olympic Committee?
	THE RELATION IS VERY GOOD, THEY WANT HELP US TO GROW
15.	Do you receive any subsidy from your National Olympic Committee ? No
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	If yes, give details, stating cash subsidy given last year or recently ?
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- 16. Are there restrictions on membership in your Federation (on national, political, racial, social or religious grounds or APPENDIX Gx2?No....
  - activities in accordance with the Statutes ? YES .....
- 17. Does your Federation acknowledge the Status of FIDE and develop

18. Is your country an independent state with its own constitution ?YES
If not, is it fully autonomous in the administration of sport?
Is your country a member of the United Nations, or do you have an Observer status in the United Nations? (If so, state year)YES
Does your country have a national flag and national anthem ?YES
19. Are there in principle restrictions for issuing visas to foreigners ?No
20. Do you have a copy of your Federation Statutes or Constitution ?YES
If yes, please forward a copy with this questionnaire.
Are your Statutes approved by your government ?YES
If so, by which government entity? MINISTERE DE LA JEUNESSE ET DES SPORTS
National Chess Federation Authorized Official:
Name: BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthelemy
Position: PRESIDENT OF ASSOCIATION
Signature: Date: 24/10/2017

### 78<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress 14-16 November 2007 Antalya, Turkey

### **Executive Board Minutes**

#### **Present:**

#### **Presidential Board:**

Kirsan Ilyumzhinov (RUS)

Florencio Campomanes (PHI)

Georgios Makropoulos (GRE)

Lewis Ncube (ZAM)

Igantius Leong (SIN)

Nigel Freeman (BER)

Zurab Azmaiparashvili (GEO)

Nizar Ali Elhaj (LBA)

Khalifa Mohammed Al Hitmi (QAT)

Andrei Selivanov (RUS)

William Kelleher (USA)

Geoffrey Borg (MLT)

Israel Gelfer (ISR)

Boris Kutin (SLO)

Jorge Vega (CRC)

Sheikh Sultan Bin Khalifa Al-Nehyan (UAE)

Morten Sand (NOR)

Peter Rajcsanyi (HUN)

Lakhdar Mazouz (ALG)

### **Executive Board:**

Uvencio Blanco (VEN)

Silvino Garcia Martinez (CUB)

Shkelqim Lazaj (ALB)

Mohammad Ebrahim Maddahi (IRI)

Margaret Murphy (ISV)

Omer Musa (SUD)

Kemal Osmanovic (BIH)

Roberto Rivello (ITA)

D. V. Sundar (IND)

### **Zone Presidents:**

Herman Hammers (NED) – proxy to E. van Dijk (NED)

Philip Haenggi (SUI) – Proxy to Mr. Horst Metzing (GER)

Torsten Bae (NOR) – Proxy to Mr. Joran Aulin-Jansson (NOR)

Andrzei Filipowicz (POL)

Gaguik Oganessian (ARM)

**Annex 5a** is an application of Gabon. This was made possible by the visit of Mr. Ncube. This was referred to the next meeting of the Presidential Board as due notice had not been given.

**Annex5b** is application of Sao Tome and Principe. Mr Jarrett said this application should be accepted as it was not included in the agenda due to an administrative oversight.

### The Executive Board approved membership for Sao Tome and Principe.

**Annex 5c** relates to Northern Ireland. Mr. Jarrett proposed to refer it back to the Presidential Board. The statutes are under review and this matter can be part of the review.

### The Executive Board approved.

### 3.2. Exclusions.

FIDE Treasurer informed the members of the Executive Board that Ghana, Chile and Ivory Coast should be temporarily excluded. Following discussions with Mr. Ncube, he was recommending that Ghana and Ivory Coast should not be excluded, as should occur after one year of temporary exclusion. Chile should be temporarily excluded. There are two national federations and the National Olympic Committee refuses to recognize either of them. A large number of players are involved but the action is necessary.

Mr. Makropoulos asked about the players.

He was told they can play but their ratings are not seen and the temporarily exclusion also means double entry fees, although this has never been used. Team entries are not accepted. The Ministry of Sport authorizes multiple federations and this causes the problem.

Mr. Makropoulos said that we should announce this decision.

### The Executive Board approved.

### 4. FIDE Contract with GlobalChess.

**Annex 6** is contract between Global Chess and FIDE to be approved by Executive Board.

Annex 6a is contract on website.

Mr. Makropoulos said that we have succeeded in reaching an agreement that helps Global Chess to start marketing and try to get sponsorship for our FIDE events by working on the plans which the President introduced to FIDE several months ago. We are not going to have big money in the first years, but Global Chess need our help to set up the right mechanism in order to get sponsors for FIDE. After the first 5 years we would expect that if they succeed, then FIDE will start having very important income.

Our cooperation has resulted in a new system for the WCC cycle. This system can be better for the sponsors, who would like to promote themselves through chess. Global chess is working in this direction and we are on the right track, but if Global Chess has no final approval from the Executive Board, they cannot start serious work.

It is proposed to approve this contract. Then we can open the bidding procedure for Grand Prix and

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### Press Release - Presidential Board meeting in Singapore

Monday, 24 December 2007 00:00



The Presidential Board (PB) Meeting was hosted by the Asean Chess Academy on December 21 - 22 2007 in Singapore, where the members also commemorated the first PB meeting under Kirsan Ilyumzhinov`s Presidency held in Singapore, 12 years ago. The President`s Report focused on the results of FIDE activities in 2007 and the key events of 2008 and the PB received a report on future development deas presented by FIDE Development CEO, Mr David Kaplan. .

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The President's Report focused on the results of FIDE activ ties in 2007 and the key events of 2008 and the PB received a report on future development ideas presented by FIDE Development CEO, Mr David Kaplan. The PB acknowledged that all the key tasks relating to all significant FIDE events in 2007 have been successfully concluded. The World Chess Championship tournament in Mexico City, the World Cup in Khanty-Mansiysk and many high-level chess events have been followed with great interest all over the world. In 2008, the major events will be the Chess Olympiad in Dresden, the World Championship match between Anand and Kramnik and the semi-final match between Kamsky and Topalov. Agreements have been reached on the first two and Deputy President Makropoulos has been authorised to finalise the contract of the third.

The PB was informed that chess will be a significant part of the World Mind Sports Games in Beijing in October 2008, where inv ted players and teams will play blitz and rap d games for Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals, together with Bridge, Chinese Chess, Go and Draughts (Checkers). The PB also discussed the conditions of the Women's World Championship. World Bl tz Championship and the Grand Prix and Women's Grand Prix series to be held in 2008/9.



The new FIDE Development CEO attended the Board Meeting in Singapore. From left are David Kaplan, Florencio Campomanes and Kirsan Ilyumzhinov.

The Development CEO's plans are to increase marketing activities, enlarge internet presence and introduce a Chess Palaces program under which new buildings for chess activities will be created in several parts of the world. The Development Directorate will also deal with the trainers' manual project to provide appropriate tools for FIDE trainers.

The PB approved the application of Gabon to be its 162nd Member. An ad-hoc comm ttee has been set up to deal with the negotiat ons for youth and junior events. FIDE has appointed General Secretary Ignatius Leong as Calendar Administrator to co-ordinate the FIDE timetable for world, continental and other major events. Approval was also given to negotiate with UEP regarding a FIDE Masters series of tournaments.

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# Les élections FIDE & le « Gabon-Gate » Fide election & the Gabon-Gate

C'est une histoire incroyable. This is an incredible story.

Un scenario que peu de Présidents de Fédération peuvent imaginer possible. Et pourtant. Very few Presidents of Federation can imagine such a scenario. However...

Au nom d'une campagne électorale où les coups bas n'ont jamais été aussi permis, une nation a perdu le contrôle officiel de sa propre fédération, de ses olympiades et bien entendu de son droit de vote.

Under the pretext of elections in which all hits are allowed more than ever, a nation has officially lost control of its own federation, of its Olympiads and of course, its voting right.

L'histoire commence en République Démocratique du Congo, un 8 Février 2014. Arrivé à Kinshasa la capitale, Barthelemy Bongo (Akanga Ndjila), président fondateur de l'Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG) – équivalent d'une Fédération, vient rencontrer l'ancien champion du monde et candidat M. Garry Kasparov, en visite dans l'ex-Zaïre.

The story begins in Democratic Republic of Congo, February the 8th, 2014. Arrived in Kinshasa, Barthelemy Bongo 5Akanga Njila), President and funder of the "Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG) – Equivalent to a federation, came to meet the former world Champion and candidate Mr. Garry Kasparov, visiting the former Zaire.

De retour au Gabon 3 jours plus tard, Barthelemy présidera pour la dernière fois l'Assemblée Générale de l'ADEG (le 15 Février 2014) durant laquelle une majorité de membres votent en faveur de la candidature de Garry Kasparov à l'élection prochaine, Tromso 2014. Personne à ce moment là ne se doutait de ce qui allait se produire.

Back to Gabon 3 days after, Barthelemy will chair his last general assembly of the ADEG Fevruary the 15<sup>th</sup>- 2014) during which the majority of its members will vote the support to Garry Kasparov for the next Fide Election in Tromso, 2014. Nobody at that moment could imagine what would happen.

Moins d'une semaine plus tard, Barthelemy apprend que l'ADEG a été purement et simplement effacée du site de la FIDE!

Les than one week after, Barthelemy discovered that ADEG has been purely and simply erased from the FIDE website.

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En lieu et place, trône une nouvelle association, AGE, dont personne ne connait l'existence, présidée par le candidat malheureux à l'élection interne gabonaise. Nous sommes le 20 Février 2014.

Instead, a new association appeared, the AGE, none knows about, chaired by an unsuccessful candidate to the ADEG internal election. This, February the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2014.

Quelques jours plus tard, lors de la tournée du candidat Kirsan Ilyumzhinov au Cameroun, le président de l'*ovni* AGE est reçu officiellement comme LE représentant gabonais. Fallait-il s'en douter, il soutient tout aussi officiellement la candidature du Président de la FIDE en place.

Petit détail qui n'échappe pas à Barthelemy : pourquoi le délégué de cette Association fantôme estil Egyptien ?

A few days after, during the tour of the candidate Kirsan Ilyumzhinov in Cameroon, the president of the *ufo* AGE is officially welcomed as THE representative of Gabon. Predictably, he supports the candidacy of the incumbent president of FIDE.

Barthelemy noticed a tiny detail: why has the ghost association an Egyptian as delegate?

Barthélémy va alors s'adresser au Président de l'Union Africaine des Echecs (African Chess Confederation) présidée M. Lakhdar Mazouz. Celui-ci répond :

Barthelemy will address an email to the president of the African chess Confederation, chaired by Mr. Lakhdar Mazouz who answered:

I have found out that your Association [ADEG] has been just created and you have tentatively let me believe that it represents the Official Gabon Chess organisation affiliated to Fide.

I would like here to declare that Fide recognises only the Association Gabonaise des Echecs presided by Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA.

Of course I cancel the message of congratulation I sent to you, as I have been mislead on purpose to prejudice the interests of the Association Gabonaise des Echecs.

Lakhdar Mazouz President African Chess Confederation

En d'autres termes, « votre association ADEG vient d'être créée, et vous avez tenté de me faire croire qu'elle représente le Gabon. Je voudrais déclarer que la FIDE ne reconnait que l'AGE présidée par M. Gabin [...]. »

Chacun d'entre nous est alors tenté de se rendre sur le site de la FIDE pour y chercher les origines de la Fédération Gabonaise. Et là...surprise!

Anyone of us would then be tempted to search in FIDE website the origin of Gabon's membership. And then... Ooops, what a surprise!

http://www.fide.com/fide/minutes/1552-43-78th-fide-congress-executive-board-minutes html

Dans l'annexe 5A, on peut y trouver un document PDF. Dans ce document figurent toutes les attestations produites par le Gabon, validées en **Février 2008** précisant que l'association qui représente le Gabon s'appelle... l'ADEG présidée par ... M. Barthelemy Bongo!

Point 5A, a link can be found, about Gabon membership, in PDF format. In the document, all proofs and documents were given by Gabon and published in February 2008, saying that the association that represents Gabon is called... ADEG, and the president is ... Mr. Barthelemy Bongo!

Quand la Présidence de la République, le Ministère des Sports et le comité Olympique Gabonais s'en mêlent...

When the Presidency of the Republic, the Ministry of Sports and the Olympic Committee became involved...

Bien que théoriquement flagrant, **ce viol d'intégrité nationale** ne voit aucune modification malgré les nombreux appels au secours de Barthelemy à la FIDE.

Although theorically blatant, this rape of national integrity will not be corrected, despite Barthelemy's multiple calls for help to FIDE.

C'est désormais le pays qui affirme **par écrit** que la seule représentation du Gabon appartient de tout temps à l'ADEG. Le Ministère exige de la FIDE un rétablissement sans délai des informations d'origine, suivi par le Comité Olympique, avec le soutien personnel du Président de la République M. Ali Bongo.

It is now the Country that claims, with documents, that only ADEG represents Gabon from the very beginning. The Ministry of Sports orders without delay Fide to restore the original information. Then the Olympic Committee joined the demand, with the personal support of the President of the Republic, Mr. Ali Bongo.

Documents juridiques et attestations à l'appui, Barthelemy réaffirme auprès de la FIDE la nécessité de rétablir la situation sans délai, tout en exigeant que soit prouvée l'existence concrète de cette Association fantoche qu'est l'AGE.

With all the documents to support his demand, Barthelemy reiterates to FIDE the need to urgently restore the situation as it was, and asked for proofs and documents that may show the reality of AGE, the puppet association.

En vain. Nous sommes déjà le 15 Juin 2014. In vain, we are now June 15th.

A ce jour, le site de la FIDE continue impunément de déclarer l'AGE comme seule représentante du Gabon

To date, Fide website continues to pretend that AGE is the unique representative of Gabon.

Barthélemy se tourne vers l'AIDEF, pensant que l'association francophone s'impliquerait dans ce dossier pourtant évident.

Barthelemy even turned to AIDEF, thinking that the francophone association would get involved in this obvious case.

Peut-être a-t-il oublié que nous sommes en période d'élection. Et que soutenir **Garry Kasparov** aujourd'hui demande du courage, quand les offres financières et **les pressions des ambassades russes** ne suffisent pas à faire plier la volonté de changement.

Maybe has he forgotten that it's an election period. Today, supporting Garry Kasparov requires courage, as financial offers and Russian embassies pressure don't suffice to bend the will for change.

Et M. Ncube, vice président inactif de la FIDE depuis 2006 mais surtout Candidat à la Présidence Africaine de donner des leçons de transparence, de démocratie, d'intégrité et de vertu de la FIDE!

And Mr. Ncube, the passive vice-president of FIDE since 2006 but above all candidate to the presidency of the African Chess Confederation, to teach us transparency, democracy, integrity and virtue of FIDE...

Amis Gabonais, vous avez des amis silencieux, des présidents attentifs. Et le Jour J, ils feront savoir que dans les pays pauvres, ignorés ou simplement en difficulté, **on pense avec sa tête mais on vote avec son cœur.** 

Friends Gabonese, you have silent friends, attentive presidents of federations. And the D-day, they will make it known that in the poor countries, despised or simply weak, **one thinks with his head and votes with his heart!** 

En attendant, le Gabon a droit à sa souveraineté et ses représentants légaux de défendre les couleurs du pays aux olympiades. Ce qu'il ne peut faire tant que des blocages persistent dans le but évident que les délais soient dépassés.

In the meantime, Gabon has the right to recover its sovereignty, and its representatives have the right to defend the colours of the country during the Olympiads. Which cannot happen as long as deliberate obstacles exist, with the obvious aim to exceed the deadlines.

Messieurs de la FIDE, rétablissez le droit de ce pays! Ce blocage ridicule vous discrédite chaque jour un peu plus.

Gentlemen of Fide, restore this country's rights! This ridiculous roadblock discredit you more, day after day.

#### Larbi HOUARI

Chef d'entreprise Organisateur et Sponsor de Tournois d'échecs internationaux Fondateur de la West African Chess Association (WACA) The story began June 8, 2012, when I saw on the website of the FIDE that the Board of Directors of the Association for the Development of Chess in Gabon (ADEG) had been changed on the website of the International Federation of Chess.

I wrote to the following address (office@fide.com) to request that the old situation be immediately reinstated.

Because the FIDE secretariat did not understand what I meant, they forwarded the message to Mr. Lakhdar MAZOUZ, President for the Continental African, for further explanations.

This latter sent me an email on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 (cf. mail 06/12/2012). He replied as follows: "Dear Barthélémy, FIDE received the message below. We did not understand anything. Could you be more specific? Truly yours, Lakhdar MAZOUZ" and I replied on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 (cf. mail 06/13/2012). I must clarify that Mr. Nigel FREEMAN was copied on this email when Lakhdar Mazouz wrote me.

After my email to update Lakhdar MAZOUZ, the FIDE secretariat made the changes.

At that time, it was already Mr. GHOBRIAL Ayad who wrote to FIDE without my permission as President. The FIDE acknowledged their mistake and corrected it.

I remind you that this type of behavior was customary of Mr. Ghobrial AYAD (i56i@yahoo.fr). Indeed, on Tuesday, May 25, 2010, I had sent him an email in which I had asked him if it was he who had sent a letter of support for Karpov's candidacy, because I knew that only he would do this, because in a meeting, he had spoken about it, but I had asked him not to undertake anything without my approval or that of members of ADEG. (Cf. mail 05/25/2010). I knew it was him because we had given three (3) addresses to FIDE: akanga2001@yahoo.fr; itricko@yahoo.fr; i56i@yahoo.fr. Because it was not me, nor Ivan Trickovic, I realized it was him.

I must specify that all this time, unfortunately, there was no General Assembly at ADEG, so the Board of Directors had remained the same, because most members of ADEG were taken by their respective professional activities.

It was not until Saturday, February 15, 2014 that the General Assembly took place at ADEG. The minutes of this meeting have been widely disseminated.

Before going to the meeting, we had printed on the FIDE site, information about Gabon:

Name of representative for Gabon: Association for the Development of Chess in Gabon (ADEG) 2007 area 4.4

My Number: 06215243

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The Board of Directors was composed of only two people:

- President: Gabin Nicaise YALA;
- General Secretary and Delegate to FIDE: Ghobrial AYAD (same person). Egyptian national.

I want to say that we do not know when FIDE made the change because the statutes of the ADEG states that such changes can only take place at an electing General Assembly. This could not occur because as outgoing President and the best Gabonese player, such meetings can't [...] only the President can bind the name ADEG nationally and internationally. This was the case in 2010, during the General Assembly of the FIDE during which Mr. Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA NDJILA voted at Kanthy Mansyisk.

The Treasurer, Mr. AYAD Ghobrial has never represented Gabon, and has no authorization from the Board of Directors of ADEG or the Gabonese nation to write to international bodies such as FIDE to make changes.

I did not have time to realize it, because on a professional level, I had a lot of promotions in recent years, which has not allowed me to follow the daily information on the FIDE site.

After the General Assembly on February 21, 2014, we reprinted the information about Gabon on FIDE (everything had changed): (see current information on the FIDE website).

On January 10, 2014, Mr. AYAD Ghobrial allowed himself to write FIDE about the statutes, members of our ADEG association, etc.. (Cf. mail 01/10/2014). The address used was (<u>i56g@yahoo.fr</u>), even though the recognized address is i56i@yahoo.fr. In addition, he was only treasurer and had no authorization to write to FIDE.

The following address directory@fide.com also wrote me on January 10, 2014 as President of ADEG, and recognizing that the official address of ADEG was akanga2001@yahoo.fr.

Going back to after the ADEG General Assembly, on February 15, 2014 and February 21, 2014, the President-elect Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick sent a letter to the President of FIDE to protest against this situation. Coincidentally, the inconsistencies that we had found on the website of Gabon, were corrected on the same day: The Secretary General and Delegate to FIDE are the same person, the change of name and logo were all changed. I have to state again that the president or director intervenes only at a general meeting. When did it take place? They told us that the General Assembly was held in December 2013, specifically Tuesday, December 3, 2013. At the end of the email, the pseudo President informed us that all the documents regarding the General Assembly were submitted to FIDE. Oddly again, this email was written on February 21, 2014.

Questions: In the mail, you see ADEG OFFICIALS but yet the FIDE website mentions AGE with the same office. Where is the document of the Olympic Committee, which states that the representative of Gabon in the FIDE is now the AGE, because in the FIDE minutes, in Annex 5 dated 2007 or 2008: it is the ADEG who is the only representative of Gabon. There have been several meetings in Gabon, and this pseudo team has never been able to provide us with the documents or minutes of this unlikely AG. They have no official documents. I remind you that since the death of our late MOULAIN AYOMBO Jean Pierre, M.BONGO AKANGA NDJILA has been the best chess player in Gabon, but also the outgoing President of the ADEG, so no meeting can be held without his presence because he is the most experienced master in the world of chess.

Remember my previous statement where directory@fide.com sent me, as President of ADEG, an email on January 10, 2014. A month after the holding of the pseudo AG. It shows us that the AG was held on Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2013, but we can prove that there has been an AG on Saturday, February 15, 2014, because there were exchanges of mail to certify everything that was said. Even a draft of minutes was written for this purpose.

Pay attention to who was copied in the email:
Forwarded message
From: marguerite alfred alain <margueritegtf@yahoo.fr></margueritegtf@yahoo.fr>
Date: February 9, 2014 10:16 p.m.
Subject: Report Club ADEG

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To: "moulainyaya@live.fr" moulainyaya@live.fr

Cc: "yalanicaisegabin@hotmail.com" <yalanicaisegabin@hotmail.com> "i56i@yahoo.fr" <i56i@yahoo.fr" <ndongbengono@gmail.com>

In addition, Tuesday, December 3, 2014 is a weekday. Currently, the official headquarters of the ADEG is home to a nursery school. They are able to put at our disposal a room only on Saturday but during the week, most members cannot travel because they are all busy with their respective professional activities.

There are too many inconsistencies in what is advanced by this ghost association.

Last: Mr. Ghobrial AYAD is an Egyptian known by the FIDE rating server. Today, if you enter all the Gabonese players known to FIDE, you will see his name and as a Gabonese. Where are the official documents of Gabon that allow him to be a national and in addition, where is the document that states that he has waived his Egyptian nationality, because I believe that mercenaries in the FIDE are no longer tolerated. This change of nationality takes time and with whom has Gabon filed an application to enroll this player?

A phantom association, AGE, which takes precedence over ADEG and possesses all official documents, this is amazing!

If with all these arguments, we do not win. What shall we do? There are too many inconsistencies.

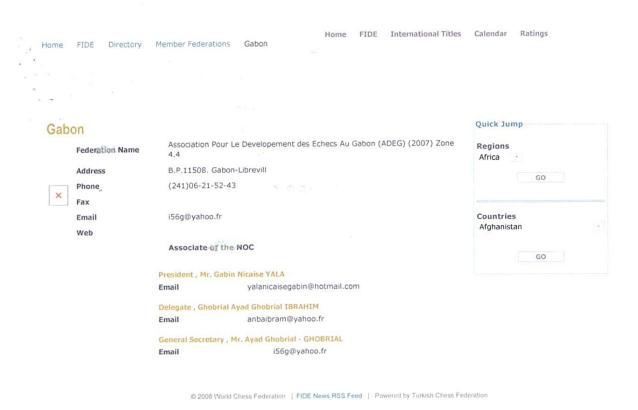
Article 5 of the ADEG statutes states that the Committee of Directors is composed of at least three (3) members. In the printed materials dates February 15, 2014, there are three people, but there is a president, a general secretary, plus a FIDE delegate. The FIDE delegate and general secretary is the same person so the Committee of Directors only has two people!

Article 7 of the Statute states that only the President can represent the association, but a third person must have clearance. If the President is unavailable, the Vice President serves in the interim. If the Vice President is unavailable, then a vote must be held.

The Treasurer shall in no case write to the FIDE.

You can check out our statutes on the FIDE site. Read the section about the General Assembly that shows that the one on December 3, 2013 took place because we must be notified. Have them produce all their documents.

In Article 5 of the rules of ADEG, only the President is authorized to represent the association. These internal regulations are also present on the FIDE site, I think.





### PROCES-VERBAL ASSEMBLEE GENERALE ADEG du 15 Février 2014

Le samedi 15 Février 2014 une assemblée générale extraordinaire a été tenue au Club des Echecs de Libreville ADEG (Association Pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon) à Batterie IV.

Etait présent : (cf. annexe)

Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélemy, Président en exercice de l'ADEG

Mr. YALA Nicaise Gabin, membre,

Mr AYAD Ghobrial, membre

Mr MARGUERITE Alfred, membre,

Mr NDONG BENGONO Patrick, membre

Mr NGUEMA EDZANG. Russel Charles, membre

Mr TATY Charles Stéphane, membre

Mr AKOMA Steave, membre

Mr OBAME NGUEMA Pradino, membre

Mr NTOUGOU Gabriel, membre,

Mr MAKOSSO Vatel, membre,

Mr RAFIK Adamo, membre

Mr BIBANG Daryl, membre

Mr BOUSSIENGUI Parfait, membre

Mr EDOU MENIE Fabien, membre

### ORDRE DU JOUR :

- 1. Lecture des anciens statuts de l'ADEG
- 2. Révision des Statuts
- 3. Faire le point sur la situation de l'ADEG
- 4. Election du nouveau Bureau de l'ADEG.

5. Faire le point sur l'avenir.

### 1. LECTURE DES ANCIENS STATUTS

### 2 REVISION DES STATUTS

La procédure utilisée pour effectuer la révision des statuts, a été de procédée à la lecture article par article et de recueillir les amendements des membres.

### Article 1 nouveau:

Dénomination Familière : L'Echiquier Gabonais

Sigle redevient le Cavalier d'échiquier portant perroquet Gabonais.



LECHIQUIER GABONAIS

Elle a son siège à Libreville. 206 66 06 70 / 05 17 67 11 / 07 51 22 32 /03 40 17 77/05 73 57 33.

Sa durée est illimitée.

Les objectifs de l'ADEG ont été revisités.

### Article 2 nouveau:

- Développer et démocratiser le jeu d'échecs au Gabon ;
- Créer au Gabon d'autres clubs rattachés à l'association en particulier dans les lycées et universités ;
- Enseigner le jeu d'échecs dans les écoles ;
- Organiser le championnat échiquéen du Gabon et des manifestations échiquéennes de prestige dans les lieux publics ou privés ;
- Diffuser l'information échiquéenne dans la presse écrite et audiovisuelle.

### Article 3 nouveau:

L'Association se compose de membres d'honneur, bienfaiteurs ou honoraires et de membres actifs.

Le titre de membre d'honneur peut être décerné par le Comité Directeur aux personnes physiques ou morales qui rendent ou ont rendu des services à l'Association. Ce titre confère aux personnes qui l'ont obtenu le droit de faire partie de l'Association sans être tenues de payer ni cotisation annuelle, ni de droit d'entrée.



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Le titre de membre bienfaiteur ou honoraire peut être décerné à toute personne qui apporte son aide à l'Association, soit en rendant des services en nature soit en versant une cotisation annuelle.

Le titre de membre actif peut être décerné à toute personne versant une cotisation annuelle dont le montant est fixé par l'Assemblé Générale et défini au règlement intérieur

### Article 5 nouveau:

Les pouvoirs de direction au sein de l'Association sont exercés par un Comité Directeur, dont les membres sont élus pour trois (3) ans par l'Assemblée Générale.

Les membres sortant sont rééligibles.

Le Comité Directeur est composé de trois membres au moins et de douze membres au plus.

Le Bureau de l'association comprend au minimum 1 Président, 1 Secrétaire Général et 1 Trésorier.

Est éligible au Comité Directeur toute personne âgée de vingt et un ans au moins au jour de l'élection, en possession d'une carte nationale d'identité gabonaise et à jour de ses cotisations et jouissant de ses droits civils.

L'Assemblée Générale élit pour trois (3) ans le Président de l'association et les autres membres du Comité Directeur.

Le Comité Directeur se réunit, sous l'autorisation du Président.

En cas de vacances de poste du Président, le Secrétaire Général sera chargé d'exercer la Présidence jusqu'à la fin du mandat du Comité Directeur.

Et en cas de vacances du poste du Secrétaire Général qui assure l'intérim du Président, une assemblée extraordinaire est organisée pour procéder à l'élection d'un nouveau bureau.

### Article 11 nouveau:

Les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute que par une Assemblée Générale extraordinaire réunie sur la proposition du Comité Directeur ou la moitié au moins des membres dont se compose l'Assemblée Générale.

L'ordre du jour de cette Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé aux membres au moins un mois à l'avance.

L'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire ne peut valablement délibérer que si les trois quarts de ses membres sont présents.

Si cette proportion n'est pas atteinte, l'Assemblée Générale est convoquée à nouveau, mais à 15 jours au moins d'intervalle. Elle peut alors valablement délibérer quel que soit le nombre de membres présents.



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Dans tous les cas, les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute qu'à la majorité des 2/3 des membres présents.

Le procès-verbal des délibérations de l'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé sans délais au Ministère de la Jeunesse, des Sports et des Loisirs et à la Fédération Internationale des Echecs.

### Article 14 nouveau:

Le règlement intérieur est préparé par le Comité Directeur.

Le reste des articles est sans changement.

### 3. LA SITUATION DE L'ADEG

### a. Rappel de l'apport de notre regretté jean pierre MOULAIN.

Jean Pierre a beaucoup contribué pour que naisse et vive l'ADEG. En 2008 il a participé aux Olympiades des Echecs à Dresde en Allemagne et a obtenu la norme de Maître Internationale FIDE. Il a voulu qu'au Gabon nous puissions développer les Echecs au pays, en vue d'avoir une place honorable à l'International en participant aux Olympiades des Echecs tous les 2 ans.

Il nous a laissé l'amour des Echecs et il a montré l'exemple en étant le plus brillant d'entre nous : nous nous rappelons qu'il pouvait battre les plus forts joueurs du Club à l'aveugle, en indiquant à l'aveugle les variantes de gains mat ou perte de matériel. Tous les membres du club amis et parents nous ferons tout ce que nous pourrons pour continuer son œuvre.

Sa mère Madame Moulain Yaya depuis 2 ans a mis à notre disposition un local dans l'école de sa fille, au Royaume des Enfants à Batterie IV, dans lequel nous avons un grand poster de Jean Pierre que nous a donné sa famille. Nous y avons aussi affiché son titre de Maître FIDE avec des photos lors des Olympiades de Dresde en Allemagne en Novembre 2008. Jean Pierre a dédicacé un livre sur les Echecs pour le Club ADEG: La Fabuleuse histoire des Echecs du Grand maître International français Nicolas GIFFARD, que nous garderons en vitrine pour le Club, que les membres et joueurs pourront consulter sur place.

### b. Situation aux Olympiades des Echecs de 2008 à Dresde en Allemagne.

Avant les Olympiades des Echecs en 2008, nous nous réunissons au Cyber Café de Ivan TRICKOVIC.

Nous avons choisi comme Président de l'ADEG, Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy qui nous a conduits, avec succès aux Olympiades des Echecs en 2008.



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L'Equipe du Gabon était composée de 3 joueurs sur 4 possibles :

- c. 1er Echiquier MOULAIN AYOMBO Jean Pierre
- d. 2ème Echiquier BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy
- e. 3ème Echiquier MARGUERITE Alfred Alain

Pour une première participation aux Olympiades des Echecs, avec la performance de Jean Pierre MOULAIN AYOMBO, notre Champion, nous avons obtenu la 142ième place sur 146 pays participants.

Après cette première participation en 2008, nous avons émis le vœu d'être présent à chaque Olympiades, malheureusement en 2010 à Kanthy Mhansisk en RUSSIE et en 2012 à Istanbul TURQUIE, nous n'avons pas pu y aller.

### c. Situation après les olympiades de 2008.

Après les Olympiades, nous avons continué à nous réunir chez Ivan au Pavillon jusqu'à son départ à Belgrade en mai 2011 suite à son accident pour se faire opérer. Ivan va mieux et doit revenir au Gabon nous saluons tous, ce qu'il a fait pour les échecs au Gabon ainsi que pour le Club ADEG: Cours d'échecs gratuits aux enfants, mises a dispositions de ses locaux d'abord à son école de Musique à batterie IV et après dans son cyber café au Pavillon. Et surtout, il a obtenu, de la Première Dame, en présentant un dossier, le Paiement des arriérés des cotisations de la FIDE.

### d. La Présidence de Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

Nous saluons ce jour l'œuvre de notre Président qui est un amoureux des Echecs qui a rédigé un document de plus de 30 Pages en vue de la promotion du Noble jeu au Gabon. Il connaît parfaitement tous les rouages de la FIDE (Fédération Internationales des Echecs) avec laquelle il correspond jusqu'à ce jour au nom de l'ADEG: la FIDE internationale mais aussi avec le vice-président de la FIDE pour la zone Afrique Mr NCUBE Lewis.

Notre Président a pu obtenir 120 Jeux d'échecs complets et 35 Tapis de la FIDE et Sponsors qu'il a sollicité pendant tout son mandat. Ce jour, il a décidé de remettre au Club ADEG tout ce Matériel de jeux en sa possession. Un inventaire a été fait par Monsieur BENGONO Patrick et sera archivé au Club. Nous saluons les efforts de notre Président qui a pu obtenir tout ce Matériel mais qui a pu aussi effectuer les transports par avion, souvent à ses frais.

Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy, malgré son parcours professionnel important qui ne lui donnera pas beaucoup de temps pour le jeu d'Echecs, ne nous quittera pas, il restera un membre du Club ADEG et un membre d'honneur de notre Club. Il continuera à nous conseiller, surtout concernant la FIDE qu'il connaît bien.



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Enfin, nous devons le dire Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy est un très Bon joueur d'Echecs parmi les meilleurs du Club ADEG, ce qui n'est pas étonnant pour un Universitaire, Ingénieur Agronome. Nous continuerons à nous affronter au Club pour notre bonheur à tous.

### 4. ELECTION DU BUREAU DE L'ADEG.

Compte tenu des obligations professionnelles du président sortant, il était impératif de procéder au renouvellement du Comité Directeur car les activités au sein de notre fédération tournaient aux ralenties.

Séance tenante, nous avons enregistré les candidatures suivantes afin de prendre le relais de l'équipe dirigée par Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy :

- Equipe 1
  - President: Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick
  - · Secrétaire Général : Mr AKOMA Steave
  - Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Mr NTOUGOU Gabriel
  - Trésorier : Mr NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles
  - Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE: Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

### - Equipe 2

- · President: Mr. YALA Nicaise
- · Secrétaire Général : Mr
- · Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Mr MARGUERITE Alain
- Trésorier : Mr KASSA Steeve
- Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE : Mr AYAD Ghobrial

En ce qui concerne l'équipe 2, des réserves ont été émises car le Ministère de l'Intérieur du Gabon demande expressément que l'ensemble des postes clés soient occupées en majorité par des nationaux. Malheureusement, il compte monsieur MARGUERITE Alain qui est de nationalité française et monsieur AYAD Ghobrial qui est de nationalité égyptienne.

De plus, monsieur AYAD Ghobrial est reconnu par la FIDE, il a le numéro 10600310 10600310 Ayad, Ghobrial EGY 2260 0 1956 M i

Par conséquent, il ne peut pas représenter notre pays à la FIDE.

Eu égard aux informations qui ont été fournis à l'ensemble des membres, ceux-ci se prononcés de la manière suivante :

- Equipe 1 a obtenu 7 voix.
- Equipe 2 a obtenu 5 voix,
- Il y a eu 3 abstentions

Le vote s'est effectué à main levée.



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L'équipe 1 a donc été élue au Comité Directeur de l'ADEG pour un mandat de 3 ans à compter du présent Procès-verbal.

Il s'agit de :

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<u>N.B</u>: Il a été solennellement demandé à Monsieur AYAD Ghobrial de ne plus écrire à la FIDE car il n'est pas gabonais dune part et d'autres part, il n'a aucun pouvoir au sein de l'association.

### 5. LES PERSPECTIVES D'AVENIR (Notre Avenir)

Le nouveau Bureau sera chargé de poursuivre les objectifs tracés depuis plusieurs années, pour l'essentiel :

- e. Poursuivre le développement du Noble jeu au Gabon.
  - Cours d'initiation au Club ADEG gratuitement : une large publicité devra faite à ce sujet. Madame MOULAIN Yaya est prête à financer la publicité au journal l'Union. Un exemple a déjà été fait avec elle par Mr MARGUERITE Alain.
  - Cours d'initiation, en privée, pour les particuliers qui le désirent les membres du Club disponibles pourront dispenser ces cours suivant une rémunération fixée entre les parties. Le Club ADEG, en prendra bonne note et surtout accueillera à bras ouverts, ces nouveaux joueurs.
  - A Libreville, existe le Club ADEG à batterie IV, nous devons y fédérer tous les petits clubs existants, comme celui de Kamara à Owendo, celui du Lycée Français Eric BENET, celui de Vincent LEGAULT Tél: 06165023, au bas de gué-gué que nous devons recontacter, le club nouveau de jeu de l'esprit de Agondjé vu dans l'union Tél: 04288737 et autres connu par Barthé et Patrick. Tous ces Clubs Seraient Notre Annexe, dans la mesure du possible, sauf refus du club, à ce moment-là, expliquer les difficultés de création d'association, vaut mieux fédérer pour avoir plus de force pour se développer.
  - En Provinces existent des joueurs voir des clubs, il faut trouver les moyens de les contacter avec les nouveaux outils que nous avons maintenant: Internet, Facebook surtout la majorité des jeunes y sont connectés, Skype, balancer nos publicités avec photos et textos pour avoir des contacts, en vue de faire NOTRE FEDERATION du Gabon comme l'exige la FIDE pour un pays.



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- Proposition de tournoi International Africain: Nous devons prendre contact avec les pays Africains qui sont déjà bien organisés comme le Sénégal, Côte d'ivoire.... Pour un Tournoi International sur le Continent Africain.
- Notre participation Aux Olympiades des Echecs de 2014.
   à Tromso en NORVEGE, pays du nouveau Champion du Monde Magnus CARLSEN.
- Les Olympiades des Echecs auront lieu, à Tromso en Norvège du 1<sup>er</sup> Août 2014 au 15 Août 2014. Mr BONGO AKANGA Barthélémy est en relation avec la FIDE à ce sujet et assure le Secrétariat du Club ADEG en langue Anglaise et doit adressé des correspondances à la FIDE pour la mise à jour de la situation du Gabon.
- La situation de nos cotisations avec la FIDE: Nous devons régulariser, au plus tard le 31 mars 2014, nos cotisations arriérés de 1600 euros, cijoint, copie de notre facture, pour que le Gabon, soit toujours affilié pour participer aux Olympiades de 2014.
- · Les joueurs choisis pour aller aux Olympiades.

Les joueurs gabonais qui partiront représenter le Gabon seront désignés après le tournoi dédié à la mémoire de Jean Pierre MOULAIN.

### NE NOUS DISPERSONS PAS

Gardons ce local, que nous donne gratuitement Madame Moulain yaya, en mémoire de notre regretté **Jean Pierre MOULAIN AYOMBO**, le Meilleur d'entre nous au Noble jeu des Echecs mais aussi dans la vie de tous les jours, Jean pierre n'a jamais eu d'ennemi, tant il était à la disposition de tous et même vis-à-vis de ses Détracteurs envers lesquels il cherchait leur côté positif. QUEL HOMME! QUEL SOUVENIR! Que nous devons tous gardé en mémoire, nous présent, mais aussi la Génération future qui connaîtra son histoire, à travers nous.

Notre Adresse : Batterie IV, Carrefour Clinique Sultan, proche du Bord de Mer Libreville.

### Disponibilité des lieux :

L'Ecole le Royaume des Enfants, appartient à Madame caroline MOULAIN, la fille de Madame MOULAIN, qui nous cède un local climatisé gratuitement tous les samedis de 15h à 23h. A notre demande nous pouvons l'utiliser un autre jour de la semaine suivant son accord.



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Madame MOULAIN Yaya et sa fille Caroline sont membres bienfaiteurs du Club ADEG. Madame MOULAIN Yaya, suivant ses moyens depuis toujours lorsque Jean Pierre était jeune adolescent de nous suivre et de nous aider financièrement et recherche de sponsors pour le développement des échecs au Gabon.

Elle continue, nous, nous devons nous faire un devoir de nous maintenir à batterie IV à l'école le Royaume des Enfants.

### Importance des lieux :

Nous avons un local climatisé, tous les samedis qui nous suffit amplement actuellement pour notre club ADEG. En cas de développement, il y a de la place dans les salles de classe, le samedi, il n y a pas classe à l'école.

Si nous organisons, un tournoi, il y a notre local et les salles de classe mais aussi la grande Cour qui est fermée où nous pourrons implanter des chapiteaux.

Il y a donc de la place, même pour des projets de rencontres internationales importantes avec la sécurité de la zone de Batterie iv. En plus pour garer des véhicules, il y a de la place grandement à l'extérieur.

### Trophée JEAN PIERRE MOULAIN.

A l'unanimité des membres du Club ADEG, nous avons décidé d'organiser chaque année à la Fin du mois de février, un tournoi d'échecs, en mémoire, de notre regretté Jean pierre que nous appellerons "trophée JEAN PIERRE MOULAIN.

Fait à Libreville le 15 Février 2014

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LE PRESIDENT

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Madame, Monsieur,

Trésorier:

Secrétaire General:

Secrétaire General Adjoint:

Ceci est la seule Assemblée Générale de l'ADEG auquel j'ai assisté. A ma connaissance, aucune Assemblée Générale n'a été tenue le 3 Décembre 2013.

**NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles** 

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Après l'élection, les membres de l'ADEG ont décidé de soutenir la candidature de M. Garry Kasparov aux élections de la FIDE en août 2014.

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## **Appendix G-11 Intentionally Omitted**



## LETTRE DE SOUTIEN A LA CANDIDATURE DE MONSIEUR Garry KASPAROV

#### Election du nouveau Bureau de la Fédération Internationale Des Echecs (FIDE)

En prévision de la prochaine élection du nouveau bureau de la Fédération Internationale des Echecs qui se déroulera à Tromso (Norvège) en août 2014, les membres de l'Association pour le Développement du Jeu d'Echecs au Gabon (ADEG) se sont réunis en Assemblée Générale afin de statuer sur les deux candidatures :

- Equipe Garry KASPAROV;
- Equipe ILIUMJINOV.

Au regard des nombreuses promesses non tenues faites par l'équipe actuelle de monsieur ILIUMJINOV durant ces dernières années :

- sites internet pour le Gabon,
- organisation d'un tournoi d'échecs sous-régional,
- promesses du Vice -président de la FIDE, Monsieur Lewis NCUBE, aux autorités gabonaises de pouvoir aider le Gabon à développer la pratique du jeu d'échecs dans les écoles primaires;
- aide pour la recherche de sponsors pour le développement des échecs au Gabon ;
- etc.

Vu les actes posés par monsieur Garry KASPAROV à travers sa fondation KASPAROV CHESS FOUNDATION (KSP) d'une part, et son passé glorieux de joueur émérite d'échec d'autre part,

Nous, les membres de l'Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon, (ADEG) décidons de soutenir la candidature de Monsieur GARRY KASPAROV à la tête de la Fédération Internationale des Echecs (FIDE) qui se déroulera en août 2014.

Le Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE se chargera de voter pour cette équipe lors du scrutin.

Fait à Libreville le 19 Février 2014

LE PRESIDENT

ASSOCIATION POUR LE DEVELOPPENT DE SECHECS AU GABON SEBREVILLE

NDONG BENGONO Patrick

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> De: akoma steave <twisterab2000@yahoo.fr>
> Objet: presentation office ADEG.
> À: "directory@fide.com" < directory@fide.com >, "office@fide.com"
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> "gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com" <gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com>,
> "akanga2001@yahoo.fr" <akanga2001@yahoo.fr>
> Date: Vendredi 21 février 2014, 14h17
> Morning, I am
> pleased to inform you that , February 15, 2014 , The General Assembly
> of the Association for the Development of Gabon Chess ( ADEG ) was
> elected NDONG BENGONO Patrick for the next 3 years as President of
> ADEG . Find Us :1 . The new team ADEG2 . The minutes of the general
> meeting of ADEG signed by the new President and the new Secretary
> General3. The new statutes signed by the new President and the new
> Secretary General4. The new internal regulations signed by the new
> President and the new Secretary GeneralNow we are twenty to two
> members, but now our activities are clearly stimulated ADEG because
> children , men and women come from ADEG and they want to learn chess
> .1st March 2014, we organize a tournament in memory of Jean Pierre
> MOULAIN our first master chess Gabon ( Gabon 1st board in chess
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> to stop writing to the FIDE because it is not Gabonese . It is
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> is very possible that a person can write to FIDE and edit information
> on the ADEG . When looking at the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, only two people
> inside and remember that our Gabonese Olympic Committee sent a letter
> to FIDE confirmed his support at the request of the Association for
> the development of chess in Gabon (ADEG) to join the International
> chess Federation (FIDE) no other association. Attached is a copy of the
> list of new office full member ADEG letter to FIDE General Assembly
> ADEG, statutes, rules of procedure.
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#### ADEG FULL LIST OF MEMBERS

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#### ASSOCIATION POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT DES ECHECS AU GABON (ADEG)

Libreville, the 21 February 2014

#### Dear President.

I have the honor to write to you my congratulations for all that you do for the development of the practice of chess in the world but also to let you know that the Association for the Development of the Chess Gabon has a new president who was elected at the general meeting of our association structure (ADEG).

I am **Mr. Patrick NDONG BENGONO** I replaced in this position Mr. BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthelemy becomes the representative of Gabon with Fide.

Relevant documents concerning the new situation ADEG were sent to the secretariat of the FIDE.

But I also want to bring to your attention that the FIDE Secretariat agrees that any individual, it is sufficient that invokes belong to any office ADEG, write to change all the information regarding our associative structure. It is not acceptable.

Indeed, Friday, June 8, 2012 at 15:00, the outgoing President of the ADEG Mr. BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthelemy, had sent an email to the secretariat of the FIDE for the challenge on this fact because Mr. AYAD Ghobrial, an Egyptian subject, already wrote to modify the information contained in the executive office of ADEG.

On Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 13:46, he responded to Mr. Lakhdar Mazzouz, who holds the position of head of FIDE continental Africa to also get his attention.

I would like to note that the executive office of ADEG has only two persons (1 Gabonese + 1 Egyptian). Is this serious?

I recall that the Gabonese Olympic Committee agreed only ADEG to join FIDE and not a ghost structure.

The outgoing President also drew the attention of the FIDE office executive on the ADEG 2007 which consisted of several non-Gabonese.

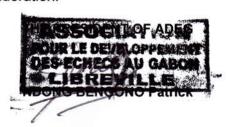
The authorities of our countries have asked to change it.

Today, we meet the requirements of our authorities. All items of ADEG are occupied by Gabonese people.

## I solemnly request that the information be corrected ADEG and that the secretariat take into account the executive office that I run.

We will inform the authorities of our country so that Mr. AYAD Ghobrial stops his actions because as Gabon, I cannot write to FIDE to meddle in the Egyptian Chess Federation.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.





#### PROCES-VERBAL ASSEMBLEE GENERALE ADEG du 15 Février 2014

Le samedi 15 Février 2014 une assemblée générale extraordinaire a été tenue au Club des Echecs de Libreville ADEG (Association Pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon) à Batterie IV.

Etait présent : (cf. annexe)

Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélemy, Président en exercice de l'ADEG

Mr. YALA Nicaise Gabin, membre,

Mr AYAD Ghobrial, membre

Mr MARGUERITE Alfred, membre,

Mr NDONG BENGONO Patrick, membre

Mr NGUEMA EDZANG. Russel Charles, membre

Mr TATY Charles Stéphane, membre

Mr AKOMA Steave, membre

Mr OBAME NGUEMA Pradino, membre

Mr NTOUGOU Gabriel, membre,

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Mr RAFIK Adamo, membre

Mr BIBANG Daryl, membre

Mr BOUSSIENGUI Parfait, membre

Mr EDOU MENIE Fabien, membre

#### ORDRE DU JOUR :

- 1. Lecture des anciens statuts de l'ADEG
- 2. Révision des Statuts
- 3. Faire le point sur la situation de l'ADEG
- 4. Election du nouveau Bureau de l'ADEG.

5. Faire le point sur l'avenir.

#### 1. LECTURE DES ANCIENS STATUTS

#### 2 REVISION DES STATUTS

La procédure utilisée pour effectuer la révision des statuts, a été de procédée à la lecture article par article et de recueillir les amendements des membres.

#### Article 1 nouveau:

Dénomination Familière : L'Echiquier Gabonais

Sigle redevient le Cavalier d'échiquier portant perroquet Gabonais.



LECHIQUIER GABONAIS

Elle a son siège à Libreville. 206 66 06 70 / 05 17 67 11 / 07 51 22 32 /03 40 17 77/05 73 57 33.

Sa durée est illimitée.

Les objectifs de l'ADEG ont été revisités.

#### Article 2 nouveau :

- Développer et démocratiser le jeu d'échecs au Gabon ;
- Créer au Gabon d'autres clubs rattachés à l'association en particulier dans les lycées et universités ;
- Enseigner le jeu d'échecs dans les écoles ;
- Organiser le championnat échiquéen du Gabon et des manifestations échiquéennes de prestige dans les lieux publics ou privés ;
- Diffuser l'information échiquéenne dans la presse écrite et audiovisuelle.

#### Article 3 nouveau :

L'Association se compose de membres d'honneur, bienfaiteurs ou honoraires et de membres actifs.

Le titre de membre d'honneur peut être décerné par le Comité Directeur aux personnes physiques ou morales qui rendent ou ont rendu des services à l'Association. Ce titre confère aux personnes qui l'ont obtenu le droit de faire partie de l'Association sans être tenues de payer ni cotisation annuelle, ni de droit d'entrée.



Le titre de membre bienfaiteur ou honoraire peut être décerné à toute personne qui apporte son aide à l'Association, soit en rendant des services en nature soit en versant une cotisation annuelle.

Le titre de membre actif peut être décerné à toute personne versant une cotisation annuelle dont le montant est fixé par l'Assemblé Générale et défini au règlement intérieur

#### Article 5 nouveau:

Les pouvoirs de direction au sein de l'Association sont exercés par un Comité Directeur, dont les membres sont élus pour trois (3) ans par l'Assemblée Générale.

Les membres sortant sont rééligibles.

Le Comité Directeur est composé de trois membres au moins et de douze membres au plus.

Le Bureau de l'association comprend au minimum 1 Président, 1 Secrétaire Général et 1 Trésorier.

Est éligible au Comité Directeur toute personne âgée de vingt et un ans au moins au jour de l'élection, en possession d'une carte nationale d'identité gabonaise et à jour de ses cotisations et jouissant de ses droits civils.

L'Assemblée Générale élit pour trois (3) ans le Président de l'association et les autres membres du Comité Directeur.

Le Comité Directeur se réunit, sous l'autorisation du Président.

En cas de vacances de poste du Président, le Secrétaire Général sera chargé d'exercer la Présidence jusqu'à la fin du mandat du Comité Directeur.

Et en cas de vacances du poste du Secrétaire Général qui assure l'intérim du Président, une assemblée extraordinaire est organisée pour procéder à l'élection d'un nouveau bureau.

#### Article 11 nouveau:

Les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute que par une Assemblée Générale extraordinaire réunie sur la proposition du Comité Directeur ou la moitié au moins des membres dont se compose l'Assemblée Générale.

L'ordre du jour de cette Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé aux membres au moins un mois à l'avance.

L'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire ne peut valablement délibérer que si les trois quarts de ses membres sont présents.

Si cette proportion n'est pas atteinte, l'Assemblée Générale est convoquée à nouveau, mais à 15 jours au moins d'intervalle. Elle peut alors valablement délibérer quel que soit le nombre de membres présents.



Dans tous les cas, les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute qu'à la majorité des 2/3 des membres présents.

Le procès-verbal des délibérations de l'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé sans délais au Ministère de la Jeunesse, des Sports et des Loisirs et à la Fédération Internationale des Echecs.

#### Article 14 nouveau :

Le règlement intérieur est préparé par le Comité Directeur.

Le reste des articles est sans changement.

#### 3. LA SITUATION DE L'ADEG

#### a. Rappel de l'apport de notre regretté jean pierre MOULAIN.

Jean Pierre a beaucoup contribué pour que naisse et vive l'ADEG. En 2008 il a participé aux Olympiades des Echecs à Dresde en Allemagne et a obtenu la norme de Maître Internationale FIDE. Il a voulu qu'au Gabon nous puissions développer les Echecs au pays, en vue d'avoir une place honorable à l'International en participant aux Olympiades des Echecs tous les 2 ans.

Il nous a laissé l'amour des Echecs et il a montré l'exemple en étant le plus brillant d'entre nous : nous nous rappelons qu'il pouvait battre les plus forts joueurs du Club à l'aveugle, en indiquant à l'aveugle les variantes de gains mat ou perte de matériel. Tous les membres du club amis et parents nous ferons tout ce que nous pourrons pour continuer son œuvre.

Sa mère Madame Moulain Yaya depuis 2 ans a mis à notre disposition un local dans l'école de sa fille, au Royaume des Enfants à Batterie IV, dans lequel nous avons un grand poster de Jean Pierre que nous a donné sa famille. Nous y avons aussi affiché son titre de Maître FIDE avec des photos lors des Olympiades de Dresde en Allemagne en Novembre 2008. Jean Pierre a dédicacé un livre sur les Echecs pour le Club ADEG: La Fabuleuse histoire des Echecs du Grand maître International français Nicolas GIFFARD, que nous garderons en vitrine pour le Club, que les membres et joueurs pourront consulter sur place.

#### b. Situation aux Olympiades des Echecs de 2008 à Dresde en Allemagne.

Avant les Olympiades des Echecs en 2008, nous nous réunissons au Cyber Café de Ivan TRICKOVIC.

Nous avons choisi comme Président de l'ADEG, Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy qui nous a conduits, avec succès aux Olympiades des Echecs en 2008.



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L'Equipe du Gabon était composée de 3 joueurs sur 4 possibles :

- c. 1er Echiquier MOULAIN AYOMBO Jean Pierre
- d. 2ème Echiquier BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy
- e. 3ème Echiquier MARGUERITE Alfred Alain

Pour une première participation aux Olympiades des Echecs, avec la performance de Jean Pierre MOULAIN AYOMBO, notre Champion, nous avons obtenu la 142ième place sur 146 pays participants.

Après cette première participation en 2008, nous avons émis le vœu d'être présent à chaque Olympiades, malheureusement en 2010 à Kanthy Mhansisk en RUSSIE et en 2012 à Istanbul TURQUIE, nous n'avons pas pu y aller.

#### c. Situation après les olympiades de 2008.

Après les Olympiades, nous avons continué à nous réunir chez Ivan au Pavillon jusqu'à son départ à Belgrade en mai 2011 suite à son accident pour se faire opérer. Ivan va mieux et doit revenir au Gabon nous saluons tous, ce qu'il a fait pour les échecs au Gabon ainsi que pour le Club ADEG: Cours d'échecs gratuits aux enfants, mises a dispositions de ses locaux d'abord à son école de Musique à batterie IV et après dans son cyber café au Pavillon. Et surtout, il a obtenu, de la Première Dame, en présentant un dossier, le Paiement des arriérés des cotisations de la FIDE.

#### d. La Présidence de Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

Nous saluons ce jour l'œuvre de notre Président qui est un amoureux des Echecs qui a rédigé un document de plus de 30 Pages en vue de la promotion du Noble jeu au Gabon. Il connaît parfaitement tous les rouages de la FIDE (Fédération Internationales des Echecs) avec laquelle il correspond jusqu'à ce jour au nom de l'ADEG: la FIDE internationale mais aussi avec le vice-président de la FIDE pour la zone Afrique Mr NCUBE Lewis.

Notre Président a pu obtenir 120 Jeux d'échecs complets et 35 Tapis de la FIDE et Sponsors qu'il a sollicité pendant tout son mandat. Ce jour, il a décidé de remettre au Club ADEG tout ce Matériel de jeux en sa possession. Un inventaire a été fait par Monsieur BENGONO Patrick et sera archivé au Club. Nous saluons les efforts de notre Président qui a pu obtenir tout ce Matériel mais qui a pu aussi effectuer les transports par avion, souvent à ses frais.

Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy, malgré son parcours professionnel important qui ne lui donnera pas beaucoup de temps pour le jeu d'Echecs, ne nous quittera pas, il restera un membre du Club ADEG et un membre d'honneur de notre Club. Il continuera à nous conseiller, surtout concernant la FIDE qu'il connaît bien.



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Enfin, nous devons le dire Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy est un très Bon joueur d'Echecs parmi les meilleurs du Club ADEG, ce qui n'est pas étonnant pour un Universitaire, Ingénieur Agronome. Nous continuerons à nous affronter au Club pour notre bonheur à tous.

#### 4. ELECTION DU BUREAU DE L'ADEG.

Compte tenu des obligations professionnelles du président sortant, il était impératif de procéder au renouvellement du Comité Directeur car les activités au sein de notre fédération tournaient aux ralenties.

Séance tenante, nous avons enregistré les candidatures suivantes afin de prendre le relais de l'équipe dirigée par Monsieur BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy :

- Equipe 1
  - President: Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick
  - · Secrétaire Général : Mr AKOMA Steave
  - Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Mr NTOUGOU Gabriel
  - Trésorier : Mr NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles
  - Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE: Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

#### - Equipe 2

- · President: Mr. YALA Nicaise
- · Secrétaire Général : Mr
- · Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Mr MARGUERITE Alain
- Trésorier : Mr KASSA Steeve
- Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE : Mr AYAD Ghobrial

En ce qui concerne l'équipe 2, des réserves ont été émises car le Ministère de l'Intérieur du Gabon demande expressément que l'ensemble des postes clés soient occupées en majorité par des nationaux. Malheureusement, il compte monsieur MARGUERITE Alain qui est de nationalité française et monsieur AYAD Ghobrial qui est de nationalité égyptienne.

De plus, monsieur AYAD Ghobrial est reconnu par la FIDE, il a le numéro 10600310

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Par conséquent, il ne peut pas représenter notre pays à la FIDE.

Eu égard aux informations qui ont été fournis à l'ensemble des membres, ceux-ci se prononcés de la manière suivante :

- Equipe 1 a obtenu 7 voix,
- Equipe 2 a obtenu 5 voix,
- Il y a eu 3 abstentions

Le vote s'est effectué à main levée.



L'équipe 1 a donc été élue au Comité Directeur de l'ADEG pour un mandat de 3 ans à compter du présent Procès-verbal.

Il s'agit de :

- · President: Mr. NDONG BENGONO Patrick
- · Secrétaire Général : Mr AKOMA Steave
- Secrétaire Général Adjoint : Mr NTOUGOU Gabriel
- Trésorier : Mr NGUEMA EDZANG Russel Charles
- Délégué du Gabon auprès de la FIDE: Mr BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

<u>N.B</u>: Il a été solennellement demandé à Monsieur AYAD Ghobrial de ne plus écrire à la FIDE car il n'est pas gabonais dune part et d'autres part, il n'a aucun pouvoir au sein de l'association.

#### 5. LES PERSPECTIVES D'AVENIR (Notre Avenir)

Le nouveau Bureau sera chargé de poursuivre les objectifs tracés depuis plusieurs années, pour l'essentiel :

- e. Poursuivre le développement du Noble jeu au Gabon.
  - Cours d'initiation au Club ADEG gratuitement: une large publicité devra faite à ce sujet. Madame MOULAIN Yaya est prête à financer la publicité au journal l'Union. Un exemple a déjà été fait avec elle par Mr MARGUERITE Alain.
  - Cours d'initiation, en privée, pour les particuliers qui le désirent les membres du Club disponibles pourront dispenser ces cours suivant une rémunération fixée entre les parties. Le Club ADEG, en prendra bonne note et surtout accueillera à bras ouverts, ces nouveaux joueurs.
  - A Libreville, existe le Club ADEG à batterie IV, nous devons y fédérer tous les petits clubs existants, comme celui de Kamara à Owendo, celui du Lycée Français Eric BENET, celui de Vincent LEGAULT Tél: 06165023, au bas de gué-gué que nous devons recontacter, le club nouveau de jeu de l'esprit de Agondjé vu dans l'union Tél: 04288737 et autres connu par Barthé et Patrick. Tous ces Clubs Seraient Notre Annexe, dans la mesure du possible, sauf refus du club, à ce moment-là, expliquer les difficultés de création d'association, vaut mieux fédérer pour avoir plus de force pour se développer.
  - En Provinces existent des joueurs voir des clubs, il faut trouver les moyens de les contacter avec les nouveaux outils que nous avons maintenant: Internet, Facebook surtout la majorité des jeunes y sont connectés, Skype, balancer nos publicités avec photos et textos pour avoir des contacts, en vue de faire NOTRE FEDERATION du Gabon comme l'exige la FIDE pour un pays.



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- Proposition de tournoi International Africain: Nous devons prendre contact avec les pays Africains qui sont déjà bien organisés comme le Sénégal, Côte d'ivoire.... Pour un Tournoi International sur le Continent Africain.
- Notre participation Aux Olympiades des Echecs de 2014.
   à Tromso en NORVEGE, pays du nouveau Champion du Monde Magnus CARLSEN.
- Les Olympiades des Echecs auront lieu, à Tromso en Norvège du 1<sup>er</sup> Août 2014 au 15 Août 2014. Mr BONGO AKANGA Barthélémy est en relation avec la FIDE à ce sujet et assure le Secrétariat du Club ADEG en langue Anglaise et doit adressé des correspondances à la FIDE pour la mise à jour de la situation du Gabon.
- La situation de nos cotisations avec la FIDE: Nous devons régulariser, au plus tard le 31 mars 2014, nos cotisations arriérés de 1600 euros, cijoint, copie de notre facture, pour que le Gabon, soit toujours affilié pour participer aux Olympiades de 2014.
- Les joueurs choisis pour aller aux Olympiades.

Les joueurs gabonais qui partiront représenter le Gabon seront désignés après le tournoi dédié à la mémoire de Jean Pierre MOULAIN.

#### NE NOUS DISPERSONS PAS

Gardons ce local, que nous donne gratuitement Madame Moulain yaya, en mémoire de notre regretté **Jean Pierre MOULAIN AYOMBO**, le Meilleur d'entre nous au Noble jeu des Echecs mais aussi dans la vie de tous les jours, Jean pierre n'a jamais eu d'ennemi, tant il était à la disposition de tous et même vis-à-vis de ses Détracteurs envers lesquels il cherchait leur côté positif. QUEL HOMME! QUEL SOUVENIR! Que nous devons tous gardé en mémoire, nous présent, mais aussi la Génération future qui connaîtra son histoire, à travers nous.

Notre Adresse : Batterie IV, Carrefour Clinique Sultan, proche du Bord de Mer Libreville.

#### Disponibilité des lieux :

L'Ecole le Royaume des Enfants, appartient à Madame caroline MOULAIN, la fille de Madame MOULAIN, qui nous cède un local climatisé gratuitement tous les samedis de 15h à 23h. A notre demande nous pouvons l'utiliser un autre jour de la semaine suivant son accord.



Madame MOULAIN Yaya et sa fille Caroline sont membres bienfaiteurs du Club ADEG. Madame MOULAIN Yaya, suivant ses moyens depuis toujours lorsque Jean Pierre était jeune adolescent de nous suivre et de nous aider financièrement et recherche de sponsors pour le développement des échecs au Gabon.

Elle continue, nous, nous devons nous faire un devoir de nous maintenir à batterie IV à l'école le Royaume des Enfants.

#### Importance des lieux :

Nous avons un local climatisé, tous les samedis qui nous suffit amplement actuellement pour notre club ADEG. En cas de développement, il y a de la place dans les salles de classe, le samedi, il n y a pas classe à l'école.

Si nous organisons, un tournoi, il y a notre local et les salles de classe mais aussi la grande Cour qui est fermée où nous pourrons implanter des chapiteaux.

Il y a donc de la place, même pour des projets de rencontres internationales importantes avec la sécurité de la zone de Batterie iv. En plus pour garer des véhicules, il y a de la place grandement à l'extérieur.

#### Trophée JEAN PIERRE MOULAIN.

A l'unanimité des membres du Club ADEG, nous avons décidé d'organiser chaque année à la Fin du mois de février, un tournoi d'échecs, en mémoire, de notre regretté Jean pierre que nous appellerons "trophée JEAN PIERRE MOULAIN.

Fait à Libreville le 15 Février 2014

CS AU GARON

LE PRESIDENT

LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

NDONG BENGONO Patrick

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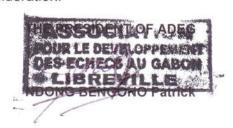
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# ADEG

### REGLEMENT INTERIEUR

#### ARTICLE 1er : Affiliation

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Lors de sa première affiliation, le futur membre actif doit faire parvenir à l'Association le bordereau d'inscription dûment complété accompagné de deux photos d'identité (exemplaire en annexe).

Après accord du Comité Directeur et règlement de sa cotisation annuelle, il recevra une carte de membre numérotée à son nom personnel avec photo. Cette carte lui donnera l'accès au Club-House ainsi que l'autorisation de jouer sur place avec le matériel mis à sa disposition (échiquier, pièces, horloge et carnet de note) et de consulter les documents, les magazines et les livres de la bibliothèque du club. Cette carte lui permettra également de participer au championnat du club et à toutes les manifestations organisées par l'Association. Uniquement les membres actifs, honoraires ou d'honneur ont le droit de vote à l'assemblée générale.

Les membres sympathisants recevront après règlement de leur cotisation une carte à leur nom personnel sans photo qui leur permettra uniquement l'accès au club-house.

Tous les membres ont le droit d'amener des invités sous leur responsabilité absolue.

Toutes les cartes de membres sont renouvelables chaque année en octobre. Les membres n'ayant pas réglé leur cotisation avant le 31 décembre de chaque



année, seront considérés comme démissionnaire et n'auront plus l'accès au clubhouse.

#### **ARTICLE 2: COTISATION**

La cotisation des membres est fixée par les assemblées générales de l'Association. Il existe quatre catégories de cotisation dont les taux sont fixés chaque année par les Assemblées Générales.

Pour l'année 2013/2014, les taux ont été fixés par le Comité Directeur :

-	Membre actif	15 000	<b>FCFA</b>
-	Membre actif étudiant	10 000	<b>FCFA</b>
_	Membre actif de moins de 15 ans	5 000	<b>FCFA</b>
-	Membre sympathisant	3 000	<b>FCFA</b>

Les taux de cotisation pour les membres du Comité Directeur ont été fixés à 50 % des taux fixés ci-dessus.

Toute personne a le droit de demander de se faire membre à n'importe quel moment de l'année.

Après le 31 mars de l'année en cours, il ne devra s'acquitter que de la moitié de la cotisation annuelle.

#### **ARTICLE 3:** ASSEMBLEE GENERALE

Seuls les membres d'honneur, honoraires et actifs de plus de 18 ans à jour de leur cotisation pour la saison en cours, ont le droit de vote à l'assemblée générale. En cas d'absence, leur représentant éventuel devra être muni d'une procuration légalisé et dûment signé par le membre actif.

Tous les membres ou représentants présents y compris les membres du Comité Directeur n'ont droit qu'à une voix chacun.

Si une assemblée extraordinaire se tient, les effectifs pris en compte sont ceux officiellement arrêtés un mois avant la date prévue à cet effet.

Les convocations pour une assemblée extraordinaire doivent se faire 15 jours avant la date prévue à cet effet.

Les votes en assemblée générale ont lieu à main levée, sauf à la demande exigée par un seul des représentants.





#### **ARTICLE 4 Comité Directeur**

Les membres composant le Comité Directeur sont élus pour trois (3) ans par l'Assemblée Générale.

L'élection du Comité Directeur et du Président se déroule en un seul tour et en principe à bulletins secrets, mais peut se faire de commun accord à main levée.

Peut être candidat au Comité Directeur, toute personne majeure, membre depuis au moins un (1) an.

Est déclaré élu, le candidat ayant obtenu le plus grand nombre de voix.

Le Président de l'association établit l'ordre du jour des réunions de Comité Directeur dont les membres sont convoqués au moins 15 jours à l'avance. Tout membre du Comité Directeur peut faire inscrire un point à l'ordre du jour avant l'ouverture de la séance, sous réserve de l'approbation de la majorité des membres du Comité Directeur.

Les décisions du Comité Directeur sont prises à la majorité des voix présentes ou représentées.

En cas d'égalité, la voix du Président est prépondérante.

Une fois l'an seulement, un membre empêché d'assister à une réunion du Comité Directeur peut se faire représenter par un autre membre qui ne peut être en possession que d'un seul pouvoir.

Sauf maladie justifiée ou cas de force majeure, un membre absent à trois réunions pendant le cours de son mandat est automatiquement considéré comme démissionnaire. Il est entendu qu'un membre régulièrement représenté n'est pas considéré comme absent

#### **ARTICLE 5:** Le Président

Le Président est élu par l'Assemblée Générale.

Outre les attributions dévolues par les statuts, le Président représente l'association dans tous les organismes nationaux et internationaux. Il peut déléguer tout ou partie de cette représentation de façon permanente ou temporaire.

Chaque fois qu'il le juge utile pour la bonne marche de l'association, le Président peut nommer toutes personnes à tous emplois hors de ceux prévus dans la composition du Bureau. Il en tient informé le Comité Directeur.





#### ARTICLE 6: Le Bureau

Outre le Président, le Bureau comprend :

- Le Secrétaire Général
- Le Secrétaire Général Adjoint ;
- Le Trésorier
- Le Délégué du Gabon auprès de la Fédération Internationale Des Echecs
- Un ou plusieurs chargés de missions.

Le Bureau est l'organe exécutif de l'association. Il est chargé de la mise en application des décisions du Comité Directeurs dans le cadre des orientations définies en Assemblée Générale. Il prend au jour le jour, toutes les initiatives nécessaires pour assumer la bonne marche de l'association.

Pour maintenir la cohésion indispensable au fonctionnement de l'association, le Comité Directeur, sur proposition du Président peut mettre fin aux fonctions d'un membre du Bureau, s'il juge leur travail insuffisant ou non conforme aux objectifs à atteindre.

Le Secrétaire Général assure, sous l'autorité du Président, le fonctionnement administratif officiel de l'association. Il veille notamment au respect du calendrier administratif. Il assure la diffusion des informations. Il établit les procès-verbaux des réunions du Comité Directeur et des assemblées générales.

En cas de vacance du poste de Président, il assure l'intérim.

Le Secrétaire Général Adjoint assiste le Secrétaire Général dans ses tâches. Il remplace le Secrétaire Général en cas de vacance du poste.

Le Trésorier tient la comptabilité de l'association, encaisse les recettes et procède au règlement des dépenses ordonnancées par le Président. Il procède aux remboursements des frais prévus au présent règlement ou expressément accordés par le Président, dans la stricte mesure ou les demandes de remboursement, accompagnées des justificatifs, lui seront adressées au plus tard 40 jours après l'engagement des dites dépenses. Il prépare le rapport financier et le projet de budget avant chaque assemblée Générale.





#### **ARTICLE 7:** Des dispositions particulières

Toute contestation pouvant surgir à propos de l'interprétation ou l'application du présent règlement sera tranchée par le Comité Directeur.

Conformément aux dispositions des statuts, le présent règlement a été adopté par l'Assemblée Générale.

#### LE PRESIDENT

LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

**AKOMA Steave** 



# ADEG

### **STATUTS**

#### TITRE I

#### BUT ET COMPOSITION

#### ARTICLE 1er

L'association dite « Association pour le développement des Echecs au Gabon » (ADEG) fondée à LIBREVILLE le 28 mars 1998 est une association à but non lucratif, régie par la loi 35/62 du 10 décembre 1962.

Dénomination familière : L'Echiquier Gabonais

Sigle: Cavalier d'échiquier portant un perroquet gabonais.

Elle a son siège à Libreville. 206 66 06 70 / 05 17 67 11 / 07 51 22 32 /03 40 17 77/05 73 57 33

Sa durée est illimitée

#### **ARTICLE 2**

Ses objectifs sont de :

- développer et de démocratiser le jeu d'échec au Gabon,
- créer au Gabon d'autres Clubs rattachés à l'Association, en particulier dans les Lycées et Universités,
- enseigner le jeu d'échecs dans les écoles,
- organiser le championnat échiquéen du Gabon et des manifestations échiquéennes dans des lieux publics de prestiges ou privés,
- Diffuser de l'information échiquéenne dans la presse écrite et audiovisuelle.



#### **ARTICLE 3**

L'Association se compose de membres d'honneur, bienfaiteurs ou honoraires et de membres actifs.

Le titre de membre d'honneur peut être décerné par le Comité Directeur aux personnes physiques ou morales qui rendent ou ont rendu des services à l'Association. Ce titre confère aux personnes qui l'ont obtenu le droit de faire partie de l'Association sans être tenues de payer ni cotisation annuelle, ni de droit d'entrée.

Le titre de membre bienfaiteur ou honoraire peut être décerné à toute personne qui apporte son aide à l'Association, soit en rendant des services en nature soit en versant une cotisation annuelle.

Le titre de membre actif peut être décerné à toute personne versant une cotisation annuelle dont le montant est fixé par l'Assemblé Générale et défini au règlement intérieur.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

La qualité de membre de l'Association se perd :

- par la démission
- par la radiation prononcée par le Comité Directeur, pour non-paiement de la cotisation ou pour motifs graves, le membre intéressé ayant été préalablement appelé à fournir ses explications, sauf recours à l'Assemblé Générale.



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#### TITRE II

#### ADMINISTRATION

#### ARTICLE 5:

Les pouvoirs de direction au sein de l'Association sont exercés par un Comité Directeur, dont les membres sont élus pour trois (3) ans par l'Assemblée Générale.

Les membres sortant sont rééligibles.

Le Comité Directeur est composé de trois membres au moins et de douze membres au plus.

Le Bureau de l'association comprend au minimum 1 Président, 1 Secrétaire Général et 1 Trésorier.

Est éligible au Comité Directeur toute personne âgée de vingt et un ans au moins au jour de l'élection, en possession d'une carte nationale d'identité ou une carte de séjour gabonaise, et à jour de ses cotisations et jouissant de ses droits civils et politiques.

L'Assemblée Générale élit pour un an le Président de l'association, puis les autres membres du Comité Directeur. Le Comité Directeur se réunit, sous l'autorisation du Président et désigne en son sein les autres membres du bureau de l'association.

En cas de vacances de poste du Président, le Secrétaire Général sera chargé d'exercer la Présidence jusqu'à la fin du mandat du Comité Directeur.

Et en cas de vacances du poste du Secrétaire Général qui assure l'intérim du Président, une assemblée extraordinaire est organisée pour procéder à l'élection d'un nouveau bureau.

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Le Comité Directeur se réunit au moins une fois par mois et chaque fois qu'il est convoqué par son Président ou sur l'initiative du Bureau. La présence de la moitié des membres est nécessaire pour la validité des délibérations du Comité Directeur.







Tout membre du Comité Directeur qui aura, sans excuse acceptée par celui-ci, été absent à trois (3) séances consécutives, pourra être considéré comme démissionnaire.

Il est tenu un procès-verbal des séances. Les procès-verbaux signés par le Président et le Secrétaire sont transcrits, sans blancs ni ratures sur un registre tenu à cet effet, dont les pages sont numérotées.

Les personnes rétribuées par l'association peuvent être appelées à assister, avec voix consultative, aux séances du Comité Directeur.

#### ARTICLE 7:

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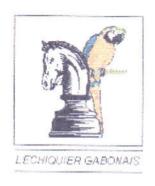
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#### TITRE III

#### L'ASSEMBLEE GENERALE

#### ARTICLE 9:

L'Assemblée Générale de l'association comprend outre les membres du Comité Directeur, tous les membres actifs âgés de 18 ans au moins au jour de la réunion. Chaque membre a droit à une voix.

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Son ordre du jour est fixé par le Comité Directeur.

L'Assemblée Générale entend chaque année les rapports sur la gestion du Comité Directeur, sur la situation morale et financière de l'association. Elle approuve les comptes de l'exercice clos et vote le budget de l'exercice suivant, délibère sur les questions mises à l'ordre du jour et procède, s'il y a lieu, à l'élection du Président de l'association et des autres membres du Comité Directeur.

#### **ARTICLE 10:**

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Les décisions sont prises à la majorité absolue des voix des membres présents, soit à main levée, soit s'il est demandé par un délégué, au vote secret.





#### TITRE IV

#### MODIFICATIONS DES STATUTS ET DISSOLUTION

#### ARTICLE 11:

Les statuts ne peuvent être modifiés ou l'association ne peut être dissoute que par une Assemblée Générale extraordinaire réunie sur la proposition du Comité Directeur ou la moitié au moins des membres dont se compose l'Assemblée Générale.

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Le procès-verbal des délibérations de l'Assemblée Générale extraordinaire est adressé sans délais au Ministère de la Jeunesse, des Sports et des Loisirs et à la Fédération Internationale des Echecs.

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- Les modifications apportées aux statuts,
- Le changement de titre de l'association,
- Le transfert du siège social,
- Les changements survenus au sein du Comité Directeur.

#### **ARTICLE 14:**

Le règlement intérieur est préparé par le Comité Directeur.

Les présents statuts ont été adoptés en Assemblée Générale.

LE PRESIDENT

LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

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POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT DES ECHECS AU GABON LIBREVILLE

## Appendix G-14

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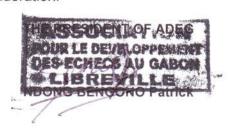
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>> General and FIDE Delegate- Mr. Gnobrial Ayad Gnobrial
>> Treasurer- Mr. Georges >> Pandi Soula
>> Fallul 30ula >>
>> Assistant Treasurer- Mr.
>> Jacky Sala Kerimapag
>> Jacky Sala Kerimapag
>> Technical Advisor- Mr.
>> Alain Alfred Marguerite
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>> Notice of this change of
>> office bearers was subsequently
>> sent to the FIDE Secretariat and our Federation
> records
>> updated as indicated on
>> the FIDE website.
>> All records regarding
> the meeting of December 3, 2013 have been sent to the
> FIDE
>> Secretariat.
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>> Regards,
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> > Gabin Nicaise Yala
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>> President
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# **Appendix G-17 Intentionally Omitted**

# **Appendix G-18 Intentionally Omitted**

From: gabin yala [mailto:yalanicaisegabin@hotmail.com]
Sent: 10 May 2014 23:36
To: office@fide.com
Subject:



## FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ÉCHECS

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#### LETTER OF NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL TICKET FOR ELECTIONS 2014 (TO BE SUBMITTED BY PRESIDENTS OF FEDERATIONS WISHING TO MAKE A NOMINATION)

I, President of the Federation of GABON hereby nominate the following for the Presidential ticket of KIRSAN ILYUMZHINOV for FIDE elections 2014

Candidate for	Name	First Name	Federation (for indicative purposes)
President	ILYUMZHINOV	KIRSAN	RUSSIA
<b>Deputy President</b>	MAKROPOULOS	GEORGIOS	GREECE
Vice President	JAIME	AGUINALDO	ANGOLA
Vice President	FIERRO BAQUERO	MARTHA	ECUADOR
General Secretary	TOLENTINO	ABRAHAM	PHILIPPINES
Treasurer	SIEGEL	ADRIAN	SWITZERLAND
	President  Deputy President  Vice President  Vice President  General Secretary	President ILYUMZHINOV  Deputy President MAKROPOULOS  Vice President JAIME  Vice President FIERRO BAQUERO  General Secretary TOLENTINO	President ILYUMZHINOV KIRSAN  Deputy President MAKROPOULOS GEORGIOS  Vice President JAIME AGUINALDO  Vice President FIERRO BAQUERO MARTHA  General Secretary TOLENTINO ABRAHAM

Date

Place

Name in print of Federation President

Signature

10/05/2014 Libreville, GABIN

YALA GABIN NICAISE

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#### **Nomination for Presidential Tickets**

Monday, 12 May 2014 06:56



FIDE has received, within the specified deadline of 11 May, 17:00 UTC+2, the following two (2) Presidential Tickets of Kirsan Ilyumzhinov and Garry Kasparov for the upcoming FIDE elections 2014:

#### a) Nominated by 56 national federations, the Presidential Ticket of Kirsan Ilyumzhinov:

Kirsan Ilyumzhinov - President Georgios Makropoulos - Deputy President Abraham Tolentino - General Secretary Aguinaldo Jaime - Vice President Martha Fierro Baquero - Vice President Adrian Siegel - Treasurer

The national federations which nominate Kirsan Ilyumzhinov's ticket, alphabetically by continent:

#### AFRICA (22)

- 01. Algeria
- 02. Angola
- 03. Botswana
- 04. Cameroon 05. Comoros Islands
- 06. Egypt
- 07. Gabon
- 08. Gambia
- 09. Madagascar
- 10. Malawi
- 11. Mauritania
- 12. Mauritius
- 13. Morocco 14. Mozambique
- 15. Namibia
- 16. Seychelles
- 17. Sierra Leone
- 18. Swaziland
- 19. Togo
- 20. Tunisia
- 21. Uganda
- 22. Zambia

#### AMERICAS (18)

- 23. Argentina
- 24. Barbados
- 25. Brazil
- 26. Colombia
- 27. Dominican Republic
- 28. Ecuador
- 29. Guatemala
- 30. Guyana
- 31 Haiti
- 32. Honduras
- 33. Mexico
- 34. Netherlands Antilles
- 35. Nicaragua
- 36. Panama
- 37. Peru
- 38. Surinam
- 39. Uruguay
- 40. Venezuela

#### **ASIA** (9)

- 41. Bhutan
- 42. Cambodia 43. India
- 44. Iran









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- 45. Korea
- 46. Maldives
- 47. Nepal
- 48. Oatar
- 49. Uzbekistan

#### EUROPE (7)

- 50. Cyprus
- 51. Georgia
- 52. Greece
- 53. Romania
- 54. Russia
- 55. Switzerland
- 56. Turkey

#### b) Nominated by 20 national federations, the Presidential Ticket of Garry Kasparov:

Garry Kasparov - President Jan Callewaert - Deputy President Ignatius Leong - General Secretary Afrika Msimang - Vice President Ian Wilkinson - Vice President Rex Sinquefield- Treasurer

The national federations which nominate Garry Kasparov's ticket, alphabetically by continent:

#### AFRICA (5)

- 01. Ghana
- 02. Ivory Coast
- 03. Kenya
- 04. Rwanda
- 05. South Africa

#### AMERICAS (2)

06. Jamaica 07. USA

#### ASIA (8)

- 08. Afghanistan 09. Australia
- 10. Hong Kong
- 11. Kyrgyzstan
- 12. Macau
- 13. Myanmar
- 14. Philippines
- 15. Singapore

#### EUROPE (5)

- 16. Belgium 17. Croatia
- 18. Iceland 19. Portugal
- 20. Ukraine

On 9 May 2014 the ticket of Garry Kasparov was submitted to the FIDE secretariat, by lawyer Morten Sand, with the name of Sheikh Mohammed bin Ahmed Al Hamed as Vice-President. The next day, on 10 May, the FIDE Secretariat received an email from Garry Kasparov stating: "(s)ince that filing, Sheikh Mohammed bin Ahmed Al Hamed has informed me that he has become incapable to run for election, and Ian Wilkinson has agreed to replace him as Vice President on my ticket". Above the 20 nominating federations of Garry Kasparov's ticket, there were 3 that nominated Sheikh Mohammed bin Ahmed Al Hamed in Garry Kasparov's ticket (Democratic Republic of Congo, Nigeria and Puerto Rico).

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#### **COMITE NATIONAL OLYMPIQUE DU GABON**



Réunie en sa séance du 19 mai 2014, le Comité Exécutif du Comité National Olympique du Gabon a examiné le dossier de demande de reconnaissance, introduite par le Président Barthélemy BONGO AKANGA NDJILA, de l'Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon (ADEG).

Après analyse et examen des documents administratifs ci-après :

- Reçu de déclaration au journal officiel;
- Récépissé du Ministère de l'intérieur ;
- · Agrément technique du ministère de la Jeunesse et des sports.

Le Comité National Olympique du Gabon délivre par la présente attestation la reconnaissance provisoire du Mouvement Olympique Gabonais en matière des jeux d'échecs.

Aussi, L'Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon est habilitée à représenter le Gabon sur le plan national et international.

La Présente attestation est délivrée à l'Association pour le développement des Echecs au Gabon pour servir et valoir ce que de droit.

Fait à Libreville, le 19 mai 2014

Le Président du CNO

Léon Louis FOLQUET

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Libreville, le 30 MAI 2014

Le Secrétaire Général Adjoint 1

AU

Président de la FIDE

(Fédération Internationale des Echecs)

Objet : Mise au point.

#### Monsieur le Président,

Nous sommes dans le regret de vous informer que sur votre site officiel figure le nom d'une association AGE comme étant l'Association du Gabon pour les Echecs. Cette association n'ayant aucune reconnaissance juridique et technique légale, ne peut prétendre représenter notre pays.

Nous vous rappelons que la seule association reconnue par les autorités Gabonaises pour cette discipline est l'ADEG (Association Développement Echecs au Gabon) que votre Fédération a reconnu en 2007 et qui par la suite a représenté le Gabon aux Olympiades en Allemagne en 2008.

ADEG reste la seule association habilitée à représenter le Gabon tant à l'intérieur qu'à l'extérieur du pays. A cet effet, nous vous demandons de rétablir l'ordre en rectifiant cette erreur.

Le bureau de l'ADEG se compose comme suit :

- Président : NDONG BENGONO Patrick
- Secrétaire Général : AKOMA Steave
- Secrétaire Général Adjoint : NTOUGOU Gabriel
- Délégué FIDE : BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthelemy
- Trésorier : NGUEMA EDZANG Russel.

Je vous prie, d'agréer, l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Copie:

Présidence de la République (SG)

Dr Nicole Christiane ASSELE.

----Opprinnelig melding----

Fra: NIGEL FREEMAN [mailto:nigelfreeman@fide.com]

Sendt: 6. juni 2014 10:45

Til: 'Ignatius Leong'; Morten Sand

Kopi: office@fide.com

Emne: RE: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese's new players

#### Dear Ignatius/Morten

We are investigating this situation as there are counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and NOC for another organisation. We have asked to receive proof of these claims.

#### Best regards

#### Nigel

----Original Message----

From: Ignatius Leong [mailto:fideleong@gmail.com]

Sent: 05 June 2014 19:07

To: 'akanga ndjila'; 'FIDE.com'; office@fide.com

Cc: <a href="mailto:lhouari@callson.fr">lhouari@callson.fr</a>; <a href="mailto:grahamjurg@gmail.com">graham.Jurgensen@standardbank.co.za</a> Subject: RE: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese's new players

Why is the FIDE Office not able to reply?

----Original Message----

From: akanga ndjila [mailto:akanga2001@yahoo.fr]

Sent: Thursday, 5 June 2014 5:05 PM To: FIDE.com; office@fide.com

Cc: lhouari@callson.fr; fideleong@gmail.com; grahamjurg@gmail.com;

Graham.Jurgensen@standardbank.co.za

Subject: Re: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese's new players

#### Dear Sir

I understand what you are saying but you can find attach document in this mail. I sent this document to fide secretariat the 31th may 2014. We didn't understand why the situation is the same. ADEG is a only representant of Gabon in the FIDE.

AGE is a phantom association in my country.

We need to register our Gabonese's new player, please.

Bests Regards

#### M.BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy

Secrétaire Général Adjoint 1

Ministère de l'Agriculture, de l'Elevage, de la Pêche et de la Sécurité Alimentaire

BP 551 Libreville ((241) 01.74.12.43

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En date de : Jeu 5.6.14, FIDE.com < admin@fide.com > a écrit :

Objet: Re: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese's new players

À: "akanga ndjila" <<u>akanga2001@yahoo.fr</u>> Cc: <u>fideleong@gmail.com</u>, <u>office@fide.com</u>

Date: Jeudi 5 juin 2014, 10h32

Dear Sir

Please note that we are authorized to issue access for FIDE Ratings server only to official email address of Federation listed in FIDE Directory.

http://www.fide.com/fide/directory/member-federations.html?task=country&fid=164

Please contact FIDE
Secretariat at office@fide.com if
you want to update email address
with all
necessary information provided and we can issue account for you upon confirmation.

Best regards, Vladimir Kukaev <a href="http://ratings.fide.com">http://ratings.fide.com</a> admin@fide.com

Wednesday, June 4, 2014, 6:53:51 PM, messsage received:

an> Dear Vladimir Kukaev an> I need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese an> new

players . The information was sent to the wrong email an> address. The new address of the official representant of my an> country, Gabon, is <a href="mailto:akanga2001@yahoo.fr">akanga2001@yahoo.fr</a> or <a href="mailto:ndongbengono@gmail.com">ndongbengono@gmail.com</a> an> Bests Regards

an>

an> M.BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy an> Secrétaire Général

Adjoint 1 an> Ministère de l'Agriculture, de l'Elevage, an> de la Pêche et de la Sécurité Alimentaire

an> BP 551 Libreville ( (241) 01.74.12.43

From: Graham Jurgensen [mailto:grahamjurg@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, June 09, 2014 04:10 PM

To: Ratings Elista FIDE Office < ratings@fide.com >; morten@legalis.no < morten@legalis.no >; Ignatius Leong

<fideleong@gmail.com>; office@fide.com <office@fide.com>

**Cc**: O'Neill, Louis; akanga ndjila <<u>akanga2001@yahoo.fr</u>>; <u>qabriel.ntouqou@gmail.com</u> <<u>gabriel.ntouqou@gmail.com</u>>; <u>ndongbengono@gmail.com</u>>

Subject: Fwd: Fw:: Re: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese new player

#### Dear all

I am sorry if I am coming into this late but surely a signed document from the national ministry of sport, which clearly states the names of the officials who represent this body, must suffice as evidence that ADEG is the registered body for Gabon.

ADEG is trying hard to register their players for the olympiad but the ongoing delay in updating their details is frustrating their efforts as they cannot access the Tromso registration system and they cannot load their players on the FIDE website.

Regardless of any claims from other bodies that may exist, a signed document from a sovereign government must surely be respected?

Please kindly advise what issues still need to be investigated as this appears extremely clear cut from an outsiders perspective.

Regards Graham Jurgensen Director KCF Africa

----- Forwarded message -----

From: akanga ndjila <a href="mailto:akanga2001@yahoo.fr">akanga2001@yahoo.fr</a>>

Date: Mon, Jun 9, 2014 at 3:18 PM

Subject: Fw:: Re: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese new player

To: grahamjurg@gmail.com

----Mail transféré----De: <u>admin@fide.com</u> À: <u>akanga2001@yahoo.fr</u>

Cc: <u>fideleong@gmail.com</u>, <u>office@fide.com</u> Envoyés: lun. 9 juin 2014 07:38 HAEC

Objet: Re: Need account details to use fide server to register Gabonese new player

Dear Sir

Please note that I have explained the procedure in my previous message. Issue of account for FIDE ratings server does not depend on opinion of Elista Office employees.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Best regards, Vladimir Kukaev http://ratings.fide.com admin@fide.com

Saturday, June 7, 2014, 11:47:00 AM, messsage received:

Dear Vladimir KUKAEV,

After the clear mail of Fide's General Secretary, Mr Ignatus LEONG, and this mail who you can find attach a official document

of Gabonese's Olympic Committee. I write you because i need account details to use Fide server to register Gabonese new players.

Send the information to this address: <u>akanga2001@yahoo.fr</u> or <u>ndongbengono@gmail.com</u>.

#### Bests Regards

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an> twisterab2000@yahoo.fr, lhouari@callson.fr
an> Envoyés: ven. 6 juin 2014 19:02 HAEC
an> Objet: Re: Gabon situation
an> Dear All,
an> Thanks for Mr. Ncube¹s feedback.
an> I would like to shed more light and that probably will be my last word, as
an> so much has been written but still no action is taken.
an> The Gabonese National Olympic Committee is intention throughout its letter
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an> was to reiterate to the FIDE officials that ADEG has legal authority to an> represent Gabon in national and international events, based on the fact the

an> FIDE has removed a known and legally recognized association to post an an> unknown and illegal association on the FIDE data system. So far, no letter an> has ever been brought by anybody showing and proving that AGE is recognized an> by Gabon authorities. If the incumbent administration does not want to an> correct the information on its system, they should at least prove by legal an> documentation that AGE fully exists and is authorized by the national an> officials of its country Gabon to represent abroad.

an> We, ADEG members, have personally talked with the President of Gabon an> National Olympic Committee and agreed to modify the letter accordingly to an> avoid confusion at the international level. This suggestion was well an> received by the Olympic body. Unfortunately, he was out of Gabon, but an> promised to make correction once back to Gabon. I finally got the letter an> amended today, this afternoon. And as a proof of evidence, please All, find an> attached the letter from Gabon National Olympic Committee signed by its an> actual and unique President.

an> I believe Gabon is a sovereign country and as such, it is able to make any an> decision that goes for the good of its image, reputation and its People. The an> Ministry of Sports only has the right and authority to decide, in line with an> national laws and regulations, whom must and must not represent its country an> anywhere.

an> I would like this to be clear to everybody that the Government of Gabon is an> deeply thriving on actions going in the direction of developing and an> promoting its country abroad. And Chess is very good vehicle of promotion; an> We All know that. That is why, I firmly believe, the Ministry of Sports, has an> decided to take that opportunity to wave the colors of Gabon this August in an> Tromso. As I said before and we all know, the Ministry of Sports is the an> power and as such can therefore decide for the conduction of Sports in its an> country.

an> I don¹t know what Gabon Minister of Sports told to Vice President Mr. Ncube, an> as I WAS NOT part of that meeting. And I personally don¹t want to interpret an> things which I have no knowledge of. There is no letter from the Minister an> that confirms this assertion. However, I doubt that the Minister has talked an> about 90 days, or whatever. But as I said earlier this is my belief and my an> belief only. The Minister of Sports cannot give contrary instructions to its an> Secretary General! Gabon is a respectful country who respects Its an> Institutions.

an> As far as we are concerned, Gabon sports institutional bodies have spoken an> for ADEG only. Hence, according to the Ministry of sports letter, AGE will an> be held responsible for its acts.

an> For to protect the image and dignity of our institution (the FIDE), it is an> better to stand for righteousness and respect for our member countries.

an> Thanks and Regards,

an> Gabriel Ntougou

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an> De: Lewis Ncube <lewisncube@live.com>
an> Date: vendredi 6 juin 2014 14:44
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an> "ESDoyle@aol.com" <esdoyle@aol.com>, "D.V. Sundar" <dvsundar@hotmail.com>,
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an> Ndongbengono <ndongbengono@gmail.com>, akoma steave
an> <twisterab2000@yahoo.fr>, Larbi Houari <lhouari@callson.fr>
an> Objet: RE: Gabon situation
an> Dear All.
an> I wish to respond to Mr. Gabriel Ntougou's mail and assertions regarding the
an> Gabon chess administration situation.
an> I confirm that I am aware of the status regarding chess administration in
an> Gabon and that I have had meetings with Ministry of Sport officials and
an> Gabonese National Olympic Committee officials.
an> The two documents circulated by Mr. Bongo and referred to by Mr. Ntougou DO
an> NOT reflect the chess administration situation in Gabon. They documents are
an> also not consistent as they portray two different Presidents.
an> A request to validate the documents by correcting the anomaly has also not
an> been addressed.
an> In the interest of transparency, I request Mr. Ntougou to obtain and
an> circulate minutes of my meetings with the following:
an>i) The Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Sport in February/March
an > 2014
an>ii) The Director of Sport in the Ministry of Sport in April 2014
an>iii) The Minister of Sport in May 2014
an> In all these meetings both bodies advised that there was NO approved and
an> recognised body to run affairs of chess in Gabon.
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an> The Ministry of Sport proceeded to advise that they did not give clearance

an> to ADEG to attend the 2008 Congress Olympiad in Dresden.

an> The Ministry of Sport advised that the 2007 registration approving ADEG was an> interim and that the ADEG officials did not complete the required process to an> represent Gabon internationally within the stipulated time. an> The Ministry of Sport further advised that according to Gabonese law it is an> ILLEGAL for an association to represent Gabon in any international an> tournament. an> They advised that ONLY a FEDERATION can represent Gabon in any international an> tournament. an> The Minister of Sport advised that he was aware that his officials had an> advised chess officials to form a FEDERATION. The Minister further advised an> that the process to allow Gabonese representation at international events an> would take AT LEAST 90 days from the date of our meeting which was on May an> 23, 2014. an> Hence the request for validation of the referred documents. an> Furthermore, I take great exception to Mr. Ntougou's allegation that I have an> "obviously dismissed and swept aside Gabon institutional bodies1s an> observations." an> Mr. Ntougou is fully aware of what is going on and the secret hand behind an> all this charade. an> The truth will not be hidden forever. It will be known in a matter of weeks an> (if not days) an> Regards, an> Lewis Ncube an> FIDE Vice President an> an> Date: Fri, 6 Jun 2014 13:07:17 +0100 an> Subject: Re: Gabon situation an> From: gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com an> To: fideleong@gmail.com; nigelfreeman@fide.com; fideberik@gmail.com; an> geoffrey.borg@fide.com; office@fide.com; nigelfreeman@fide.com; an> jarrett@fide.com; accounts@fide.com; certificates@fide.com; abundo@fide.com; an> lumag@mail.tic.ch; rdasilva@netangola.com; ESDoyle@aol.com; an> dvsundar@hotmail.com; elhajnizar@yahoo.com; president@iranchess.ir; an> khitme@hotmail.com

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an> Dear all,
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an> The Fide's Secretary General raised below the question why FIDE Office is an> not responding clearly to the ongoing situation.

an> Please, I would like you all to remember the facts:

an> In February 2014, ADEG organized an Extraordinary General Assembly in order an> to elect a new executive team and outline the Association¹s future projects an> to promote Chess across the country.

an> However, the loser team manifestly did not agree with the final decision of an> the Assembly. They then got together into an association under the name of an> AGE (Association Gabonaise des Echecs).

an> By subversive manners and unknown means, they successfully managed to bypass an> FIDE¹s organization rules and bylaws to change the posting of Gabon from an> ADEG to AGE on the FIDE website. The latter association has no proof of an> recognition from any Gabonese authority. In fact, its recognition request an> has been stopped immediately by our national sports ruling bodies, i.e. The an> Ministry of Sports and the National Olympic Committee for non conformity and an> illegal attempt to represent Gabon abroad. Plus, Gabon Ministry of Sports an> has confirmed in its letters to the FIDE officials and headquarter that an> sanctions will be taken toward any organisation that will attempt to play on an> behalf of Gabon.

an> Moreover, I would like to call your attention to the fact that Mr. Lewis an> Ncube, FIDE Vice President, who is fully aware of and knows perfectly, with an> every single details, this issue as he has travelled several times to Gabon an> and met with local administrative and regulation bodies has obviously an> dismissed and swept aside Gabon institutional bodies¹s observations.

an> Hence, I personally think that it is a shame to give the impression to the an> whole world of Chess that some lost chess country members do not counts; or an> maybe counts only when an election is at stake.

an> But, for the sake of righteousness and respect, which are great values an> nurtured by the FIDE, Our organization (FIDE) cannot just stand still and an> inactive about what is going on right now.

an> Thanks and True Regards,

an> Gabriel Ntougou an> Deputy Secretary General of ADEG

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an> Date: jeudi 5 juin 2014 16:58
an> À: Gabriel Ntougou < gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com >, PB Nigel Freeman
an> < nigelfreeman@fide.com>
an> Cc: 'Lewis Ncube' < lewisncube@live.com>, FIDE Secretariat
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an> Objet: RE: Gabon situation
an> Dear Mr Ntougou,
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an> I have not seen any response forthcoming from the FIDE Office. I am not sure
an> if the Office is on long holidays or they are too busy with other issues.
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an> Regards,
an> Ignatius Leong
an> FIDE General Secretary
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an> From: gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com [mailto:gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com]
an> Sent: Thursday, 5 June 2014 11:30 PM
an> To: fideleong@gmail.com
an> Cc: Lewis Ncube
an> Subject: Gabon situation
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an> Dear Heads of FIDE,
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an> As Deputy Secretary General of ADEG, the unique and recongnized Chess
an> association in Gabon, I am deeply sorry to notice the delay you are
an> observing in cahnging the information data on the FIDE website according to
an> the notifications you have received from both the Ministry of Sport of Gabon
an> and the National Olympic Committee. In fact AGE must be replaced by ADEG as
an> it has always been so.
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an> In this regards, I believe you are fully aware of the sanctions which could an> be applied to people registered at FIDE level as Gabon but who do not have an> full authorization of our Institutional body in charge of Sports. I would an> like to remind you that it is a Government decision. an> an> As long as no contrary decision has been made by the Ministry of Sports and an> the Natiotional Olympic Committee of Gabon, only ADEG is allowed and has the an> authorization to represent Gabon at the FIDE level. So, in order to respect an> the Spirit of Sports and our institutions, please correct the data so as to an> reflect reality and truth. an> an> Thanks and Regards, an> an> Gabriel Ntougou an> Deputy Secretary General of ADEG an> an> Envoyé de mon smartphone BlackBerry 10. an>

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We are awaiting her response.

Best regards

Nigel

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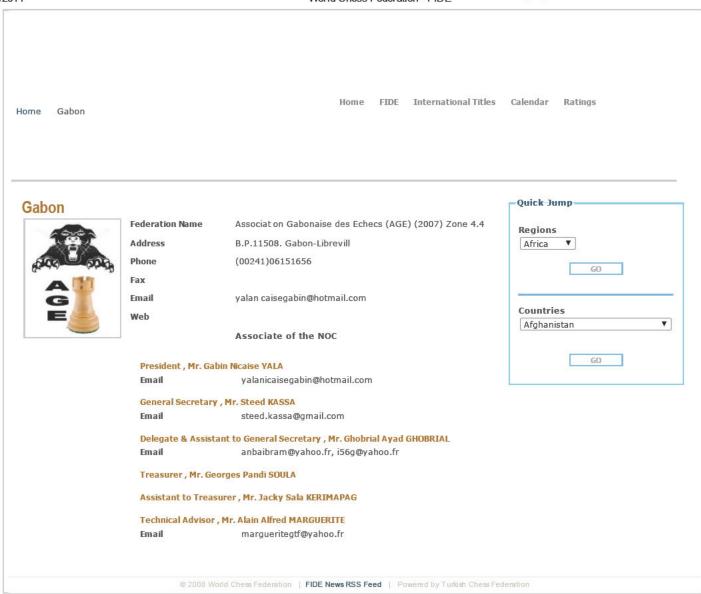
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Attachments: Letter to FIDE Secretariat - Gabon, FIDE website (15 June 2014).pdf

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**Sent:** Sunday, June 15, 2014 9:47 PM **To:** FIDE-office; NIGEL FREEMAN

Cc: akanga2001@yahoo.fr; ndongbengono@gmail.com; Santens, Ank

Subject: Gabon

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#### 15 June 2014

To: FIDE Secretariat

9 Siggrou Avenue, Athens, Greece 11743

Email: office@fide.com

ATTN: Executive Director Mr. Nigel P.B. Freeman

#### **BY EMAIL**

Re: Gabon: FIDE Website

Dear Nigel,

I write in connection with the current listing on the FIDE website of the "Association Gabonaise des Echecs (AGE)" as the chess federation of the Gabonese Republic. This is incorrect. The official chess federation of Gabon is the "Gabon Association for the Development of Chess (ADEG)" and I request that FIDE's website be corrected immediately by removing AGE's information and replacing it with ADEG's information. In addition, I request that Mr. Barthélémy BONGO AKANDA DJILA, the FIDE Delegate of ADEG, be listed as the delegate for Gabon in the list of delegates that the FIDE Secretariat is required to send to all member federations and publish on its website by Monday, 16 June 2014 at 5 PM Athens time pursuant to Article 5.A(1) of the Electoral Regulations and FIDE's announcements in this respect.

The documentary evidence shows that the official chess federation of Gabon is not AGE but the "Gabon Association for the Development of Chess (ADEG)." See:

- (i) Signed letter from the Gabon National Olympic Committee, dated 19 May 2014, which gives ADEG "permission to represent Gabon at the national and international level."
- (ii) Signed letter from Dr. Nicole Christiane Assele, the Secretary General of the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport, to the President of FIDE (copied to the President of Gabon), dated 30 May 2014 ("30 May Ministry of Youth and Sport Letter"), which *inter alia*:
  - (a) states that "[AGE] having no statutory recognition and technical legality, cannot claim to represent our country ... ADEG is the only association empowered to represent Gabon both inside and outside the country;" and
  - (b) lists the names of ADEG's office bearers (President: NDONG BENGONO Patrick; General Secretary: AKOMA Steave; Assistant General Secretary: NTOUGOU Gabriel; FIDE Delegate: BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthélémy; Treasurer: NGUEMA EDZANG Russel).
- (iii) Signed minutes of ADEG's General Assembly on 15 February 2014 ("ADEG GA Minutes"), which confirm that in the elections held on 15 February 2014, the ADEG

office bearers named in the 30 May Ministry of Youth and Sport Letter (including, *inter alia* President NDONG BENGONO Patrick and FIDE Delegate BONGO AKANGA NDJILA Barthélémy) defeated the team now shown as part of AGE (including *inter alia*, Gabin Nicaise YALA) on the FIDE website.<sup>1</sup>

All three documents are attached at **Appendix A**.<sup>2</sup>

The following documents provide further confirmation of ADEG's position as the chess organization recognized by the relevant authorities in Gabon to represent Gabon at FIDE, and as the organization which duly applied for and was granted membership of FIDE:

- (i) The application filed by ADEG for FIDE membership ("Application"), attached at Appendix 5A to the minutes of the 78<sup>th</sup> FIDE Congress Executive Board meeting (14-16 November 2007) ("FIDE Board Minutes").
- (ii) The Application includes a letter from the Gabon National Olympic Committee to the Secretary General of FIDE dated 30 October 2007, stating, *inter alia*, that the Gabon National Olympic Committee grants consent for Gabon's proposed affiliation with FIDE "through ADEG." The letter identifies "BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthelemy" as the President of ADEG.
- (iii) The FIDE Board Minutes state that the Application was "referred to the next meeting of the Presidential Board." A FIDE Press Release dated 24 December 2007 ("Press Release") states that at the Presidential Board (PB) meeting on December 21 22 2007 "The PB approved the application of Gabon to be its 162nd Member."

Relevant extracts of the FIDE Board Minutes and copies of the Application and Press Release are attached at **Appendix B**.

Repeated requests have been made to the FIDE Secretariat<sup>3</sup> and to you directly<sup>4</sup> (supported by the documentation listed at **Appendix A**) to correct the information on FIDE's website. By email dated 13 June 2014, FIDE General Secretary Ignatius Leong asked you to explain why "you choose not to list on the site the representatives of Gabon who have submitted extensive

See ADEG GA Minutes, page 6 (attached at **Appendix A**). FIDE's website lists "Gabin Nicaise YALA as the "President" of AGE." See: FIDE Directory online listing for "Gabon" at http://www.fide.com/component/fidedirectory/?task=country&fid=164 (last visited 15 June 2014) (copy attached at **Appendix K**).

The quotes above are our translations from French into English.

See email from Gabriel Ntougou (ADEG's Assistant General Secretary) to the FIDE Secretariat *et. al.* dated 6 June 2014 at 2.20 a m. (attached at **Appendix E**); Email from Gabriel Ntougou (ADEG's Assistant General Secretary) to the FIDE Secretariat, you, *et. al.* dated 6 June 2014 at 13:07:17 hours (attached at **Appendix G**); Email from Gabriel Ntougou to the FIDE Secretariat, you, *et. al.* dated 6 June 2014 at 19:02 hours (attached at **Appendix G**); Email from Mr. Graham Jurgensen to FIDE Secretariat *et. al.* dated 9 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix G**); Email from Mr. Bongo to the FIDE Secretariat *et. al.* dated 5 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix F**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See email from Mr. Leong to you dated 11 June 2014 (email and enclosures attached at **Appendix I**).

paperwork certifying prima facie their legitimacy, and instead continue to list individuals who have not provided any such proof?"<sup>5</sup> No response was provided to this email and as at 15 June 2014, FIDE's website continues to show the incorrect information.<sup>6</sup>

In your email to Mr. Leong and Mr. Bongo dated 6 June 2014, you had claimed that you were "investigating this situation as there [were] counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and [National Olympic Committee] for another organisation." However, you also stated that you "[had] <u>asked to receive</u> proof of these claims." This confirms that you did not then possess such proof.

I note that the only apparent "counter-claims" on the record are bare assertions made by FIDE Vice-President Lewis Ncube in his email to Gabriel Ntougou and others dated 6 June 2014 that in certain meetings which Mr. Ncube claims he attended with the Gabon "Ministry of Sport" and the "Minister of Sport," "both bodies advised that there was NO approved and recognised body to run affairs of chess in Gabon."

Mr. Ncube's claims are not supported by *any* documentary evidence. In the absence of such evidence, Mr. Ncube's bare assertions cannot overcome the cogent evidence attached at **Appendix A**. Moreover, *even* if these statements are believed (which, absent documentary evidence they cannot), at best, they would establish that neither ADEG *nor* "AGE" is recognized, which means that "AGE"'s information <u>must also be removed</u> from FIDE's website. Yet this is not how the FIDE Secretariat has proceeded, which raises questions about the true motivations for removing ADEG's information but maintaining that of "AGE" on FIDE's website.

In an email to Mr. Leong dated 13 June 2014, you stated that you had written to Dr. Nicole Assele, "to clear this up." Again, you did not provide any documents to support your implied assertion that there was something to "clear up." Nor did you provide a copy of your letter to Dr. Assele.

I further note that in a letter dated 19 February 2014, ADEG's elected President, Mr. Ndong Bengono, states that "in the General Assembly members of [ADEG] had "decided to support the

See email from Mr. Leong to you dated 13 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix H**).

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See email from you to Mr. Leong dated 6 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix C**).

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We further note that the Gabon listing on the FIDE website states that AGE is an "Associate of the NOC [National Olympic Committee]." See FIDE Directory online listing for "Gabon" at http://www fide.com/component/fidedirectory/?task=country&fid=164 (last visited 15 June 2014) (copy attached at **Appendix K**). In our understanding, based on the available information, this is false.

Dr. Assele was the signatory to the letter to the President of FIDE from the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport dated 30 May 2014 (attached at **Appendix A**).

See email from you to Mr. Leong dated 13 June 2014 (attached at **Appendix C**).

candidacy of Mr. Kasparov to head FIDE in the elections to be held in August 2014." I have also received a letter from President of the West Africa Chess Association, Larbi Houari in which he recounts that ADEG's information was "simply erased from the FIDE website" less than one week after the General Assembly of ADEG during which the majority of ADEG's members voted in favor of supporting the Kasparov ticket in the next FIDE Presidential elections (Tromso 2014). Subsequent to this, FIDE's announcement dated 12 May 2014 regarding the Presidential ticket nominations listed Gabon as one of the member federations that nominated Kirsan Ilyumzhinov's ticket in the 2014 FIDE elections.

This letter of nomination was signed and submitted to FIDE on 10 May 2014 by "YALA Gabin Nicaise," the same individual who ran for the position of President of ADEG and was defeated by NDONG BENGONO Patrick in the 15 February 2014 elections to some listed as "President" of AGE on FIDE's website. It fully reserve my rights to contest the validity of the alleged nomination by Gabon of the Ilyumzhinov ticket. It goes without saying that if, as it appears, the acceptance of a letter of nomination from an organization which had no right to submit a nomination, and the deletion of ADEG's information from FIDE's website, were politically motivated, such conduct would, *inter alia*, constitute serious violations of the FIDE Code of Ethics and grounds for a complaint to the FIDE Electoral Commission.

The documents attached at **Appendix A**, which you received directly via email on 11 June 2014, <sup>18</sup> are conclusive on their face, and their authenticity has never been questioned. As the documentary evidence that you *do* hold confirms that ADEG is the official chess federation of Gabon (with NDONG BENGONO Patrick as its President and BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthélémy as its FIDE Delegate), until you receive conclusive proof to the contrary there is no basis for FIDE to continue listing AGE as the federation for Gabon on FIDE's website. I note that the person to whom you apparently have written to verify the accuracy of ADEG's claims – Dr. Assele – has *already* signed a letter attesting to that fact. Unless and until you receive another letter from Dr. Assele, her current letter is, under your own standard, conclusive proof of the matter.

In view of the above, AGE's information must be removed and replaced with ADEG's information (including NDONG BENGONO Patrick as its President and BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthélémy as its FIDE Delegate) on the FIDE website immediately and by no later than

See letter from Mr. Ndong Bengono dated 19 February 2014 (attached at **Appendix L**). The quotes above are our translations from French into English.

See letter from Mr. Houari dated 15 June 2014 in French with accompanying English translation (attached at **Appendix D**).

See email from "gabin yala" to the FIDE Secretariat dated 10 May 2014, attaching "Letter of Nomination for Presidential Ticket for Elections 2014 (to be Submitted by Presidents of Federations Wishing to Make a Nomination)" (attached at **Appendix M**).

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Monday, 16 June 2014, 5.00 p.m. Athens time. In addition, Mr. BONGO AKANGA DJILA Barthélémy must be listed as Gabon's delegate on the list of delegates to be sent by the FIDE Secretariat to all member federations and published on the FIDE website at that time pursuant to Article 5.A(1) of the Electoral Regulations. If this is not done, I will have no option but to bring the appropriate complaints against the relevant FIDE individuals and entities before the appropriate fora.

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My rights remain fully reserved.

Sincerely,

Garry Kasparov

Cc: Gabon Association for the Development of Chess (ADEG)

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Enclosures

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**Subject:** RE: Gabon **Importance:** High

Dear Nigel,

I write in my capacity as legal adviser to Garry Kasparov and his ticket. I write further to Garry's email of last night regarding Gabon. I have meanwhile received the attached email which you sent to Ignatius Leong (Attachment A).

The positions in that email are wrong.

First, your statement that "[h]aving checked the Statutes regarding ADEG's potential admission as a member as a replacement for AGE" is ironical indeed. ADEG was at all times the valid association until you replaced it by AGE on the FIDE website without any prior notice and without any valid basis after Gabon supported the Kasparov ticket for the 2014 FIDE Presidential Elections. See for instance attached a print-out of the FIDE Directory of 3 September 2013 listing ADEG as the valid representative of Gabon and Mr. Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY as its President (Attachment B). You should instead have "checked the Statutes regarding AGE's potential admission as a member as a replacement for AGED" before you replaced AGED by AGE. Clearly you did not do that and you are now turning matters on their head.

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Third, there can be no such doubt here, as all relevant documents at all times point to AGED and its representatives as the valid representatives of the Gabon chess federation. You place importance on the letter you wrote to Dr. Assele but you already have a letter from Dr. Assele firmly attesting to the validity of AGED and the lack of validity of AGE. Unless you receive proof to the contrary, that letter controls.

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Your email is not responsive. Please explain why pending a response from Dr. Assele, you choose not to list on the site the representatives of Gabon who have submitted extensive paperwork certifying prima facie their legitimacy, and instead continue to list individuals who have not provided any such proof?

Regards, Ignatius

From: NIGEL FREEMAN [mailto:nigelfreeman@fide.com]

Sent: Friday, 13 June 2014 2:14 PM

To: 'Ignatius Leong'

Cc: 'Barthelemy Akanga Ndjila Bongo'; 'KAS Morten Sand'; <a href="mailto:grahamjurg@gmail.com">grahamjurg@gmail.com</a>; 'Afrika Msimang'

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### **Dear Ignatius**

As I have advised Morten, we have written to Dr. Nicole Assele, the Deputy Secretary General of the Ministry of Youth and Sport to clear this up.

We are awaiting her response.

Best regards

Nigel

From: Ignatius Leong [mailto:fideleong@gmail.com]

Sent: 12 June 2014 21:19 To: 'PB Nigel Freeman'

Cc: 'Barthelemy Akanga Ndjila Bongo'; 'KAS Morten Sand'; <a href="mailto:grahamjurg@gmail.com">grahamjurg@gmail.com</a>; 'Afrika Msimang'

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Dear Nigel,

Are you not capable to provide a simple reply? Is this how the FIDE Office functions when faced with urgent requests?

Regards, Ignatius

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 June 2014 12:57 AM

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## Dear Nigel:

No proof has been furnished for the assertions by AGE and Lewis Ncube that "there are counter-claims of a later date of approval from Ministry of Sport and NOC for another organisation."

The Gabon Association for the Development of Chess (ADEG) is the official chess federation of Gabon as per (i) the letter from the Gabon National Olympic Committee, dated 19 May 2014, which gives ADEG "permission to represent Gabon at the national and international level," (ii) the letter from the Secretary General of the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport to the President of FIDE (copied to the President of Gabon), dated 30 May 2014, which states that "ADEG is the only association empowered to represent Gabon both inside and outside the country" and (iii) the 15 February 2014 minutes of ADEG's elections, in which the team referenced by the Secretary General of the Gabon Ministry of Youth and Sport in his 30 May 2014 letter defeated the team now shown as part of AGE on the FIDE website. (All three documents are attached).

There is no reason for FIDE not to post the ADEG officials' information on the FIDE site as the matter is clear. The ADEG data should be posted pending any investigation of "counter-claims" as ADEG's claim on its face is the only possible legitimate one.

Thus, ADEG's information must be posted on the FIDE website immediately and remain there until valid proof for the assertion that AGE, and not ADEG, is Gabon's official chess federation, is submitted. If and when such proof is provided, it should be copied immediately to ADEG's officials so that they may verify and contest it.

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**From**: NIGEL FREEMAN [mailto:nigelfreeman@fide.com]

**Sent**: Monday, June 23, 2014 04:10 AM

**To**: Santens, Ank **Subject**: RE: Gabon

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From: Santens, Ank [mailto:asantens@whitecase.com]

**Sent:** 16 June 2014 16:32

To: GK gmail; FIDE-office; NIGEL FREEMAN

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**Cc**: 'akanga2001@yahoo.fr' < akanga2001@yahoo.fr' >; 'gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com' < gabriel.ntougou@gmail.com >

Subject: Re: Gabon

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> Date: Mercredi 25 juin 2014, 16h55
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> Madam,I
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> Sports, Dr Nicole Christiane ASSELE to the Fide's President, Mr
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# Le Secrétaire Général

A Monsieur le Président de la FIDE (Jédération Internationale des Echecs)

Objet: Mise au point.

Réf: Courrier n°01/165 du 02 juin 2014.

## Monsieur le Président,

J'accuse réception de votre lettre ci-dessus référencée relative à la situation du Gabon au sein de la Fédération Internationale des Echecs (FIDE).

En réponse, comme je l'ai déjà confirmé dans mes précédents courriers adressés à Monsieur le Président de la FIDE (Fédération Internationale des Echecs), l'ADEG (Association pour le Développement des Echecs au Gabon) reste la seule association habilitée à représenter notre pays sur le plan national et international.

Jusqu'à ce jour, sur le site officiel de la FIDE figure le nom de l'association AGE comme étant l'Association du Gabon pour les jeux d'Echecs. Cette association n'ayant aucune reconnaissance juridique et technique, ne peut prétendre représenter notre pays au sein de votre institution.

A cet effet, nous vous prions de bien vouloir établir l'ordre dans les meilleurs délais en rectifiant cette erreur au risque de voir les responsables de cette association, hors la loi, poursuivit en justice sur le plan national; et, d'être fautifs du retrait de notre représentation au sein de la FIDE.

Je vous prie de croire, Monsieur le Président, en l'assurance de ma parfaite considération.

Dr Nicole Christian

### Copie:

-Ministre

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-Monsieur YALLA

From: Santens, Ank

**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2014 4:17 PM

To: 'Nigel Freeman'

Cc: 'akanga ndjila'; <a href="mailto:ndongbengono@gmail.com">ndongbengono@gmail.com</a>; Garry Kasparov (<a href="mailto:kasparov.garry@gmail.com">kasparov.garry@gmail.com</a>)

Subject: RE: Gabon

Dear Nigel,

This is in response to your 23 and 24 June emails regarding the Gabonese delegate for the 2014 elections. I copy on this email Mr. Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA DJILA, who was ADEG's President from the time it became affiliated with FIDE in 2007 until 15 February 2014 and who as of that date serves as ADEG's FIDE Delegate, and Patrick NDONG BENGONO, who is ADEG's President as of 15 February 2014. I also copy Garry Kasparov.

In your email to Ignatius Leong dated 16 June 2014, in which you explained why you refused to replace the fraudulent delegate for Gabon (Mr. Ghobrial Ayad GHOBRIAL) with the legitimate delegate (Barthélémy BONGO AKANGA DJILA), you stated "[w]e have yet to receive a reply to our letter from Dr. Assele" and that your position would "[d]epend[] on the reply received from Dr. Assele."

You have now received a letter from Dr. Assele for the Ministry of Youth and Sport to the FIDE President dated 25 June 2014 (attached) in response to your query, in which the Dr. Assele confirms again that:

"as it has been confirmed in previous communications addressed to the president of the FIDE, ADEG remains the only association empowered to represent [Gabon] on a national and international level."

Dr. Assele again requests you to "[rectify] the error. Otherwise, those in power in the association, acting illegally, risk being sued on the national level, and found responsible for [Gabon's] withdrawal from FIDE."

Therefore, by your own standard, your question has been fully addressed. In light of this, please confirm by no later than **noon Athens time on Monday, 30 June 2014**, that you have written to the Electoral Commission ("ELE") to alert them of the error, have sent them a copy of Dr. Assele's letter, and have requested that Mr. Bongo replace Mr. Ghobrial as the delegate for Gabon on the list of delegates for the 2014 elections ("Delegate List").

As to your emails of 23 and 24 June, it appears that you are determined to deny ADEG's duly elected officers and Mr. Kasparov due process.

You claim that on "17 February 2014, FIDE received an email from the <u>Delegate of the national member federation of Gabon</u> – which at the time was called ADEG – <u>Mr Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial</u>." (Emphasis added.) You have provided no document to support your claim that Mr. Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial was the "Delegate" of ADEG as at 17 February 2014.

The list of ADEG officers on the FIDE website as at 23 October 2013 is attached. As you can see, it did not include "Mr Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial". The ADEG officers were:

President: Mr Bongo Akanga NDJILA BARTHELEMY

- General Secretary: Mr. Ouatara ALAIN
- General Secretary Assistant, Mr. Ivan TRICKOVIC

Mr. Bongo has informed us that he printed the FIDE Directory on 15 February 2014, before attending the ADEG elections at which Mr. Bongo was succeeded by Mr. Ndong Bengono as President of the federation. He noted that, without authorization or prior notice to him as President, the FIDE Secretariat had changed the information for ADEG on its website to the following:

President: Mr. Gabin Nicaise YALA

- Delegate: Ghobrial Ayad Ghobrial IBRAHIM

- General Secretary: Mr Ayad Ghobrial GHOBRIAL

This is shown on the print out of the listing for Gabon/ADEG on FIDE's website as at 15 February 2014 (attached).

On what basis did the FIDE Secretariat modify ADEG's details to list Mr. Yala as President and Mr. Ghobrial as Delegate and General Secretary on or before 15 February 2014?

The only election that ADEG has held after it was admitted to FIDE in 2007 was on 15 February 2014 and the minutes of that election ("15 Feb Minutes" attached, p. 6) show that Messrs. Yala and Ghobrial ran for the position of President and FIDE Delegate, respectively, on a ticket in the ADEG elections on 15 February 2014, and were *defeated*.

You have also declined my request to provide copies of the 17 and 19 February communications by which you claim Mr. Ghobrial informed you – *after* his defeat at the ADEG elections on 15 February – that "ADEG had changed its name and that the federation was now called "Association Gabonaise des Echecs" (AGE)" (including any attachments thereto). It is crystal clear that this claim is a fraud.

You attempt to evade my request by characterizing it as a request for documents "regarding the recognition of a national federation." But as you know, my request is about whether you manipulated the Delegate List by making an unauthorized change to ADEG's registered details on the FIDE website.

This has *everything* to do with the electoral process since the Delegate List as verified by the ELE ultimately determines the "list of those entitled to vote" in the 2014 FIDE elections (See Electoral Regulations, Article 5.A(1) - (9)).

All the evidence on the record shows that your modification of ADEG's details on FIDE's website was unauthorized and wrongful. Even worse, it was specifically brought to your attention on 21 February 2014 and on 15 June 2014, (i.e., *before* you published the Delegate List) that Mr. Ghobrial had no position in ADEG and had acted fraudulently in attempting to procure changes to ADEG's information on FIDE's website. See:

 Email from Steave Akoma (ADEG's General Secretary) to the FIDE Secretariat (copying you) dated 21 February 2014 (attached), informing you about the names of the ADEG board and expressly stating:

"We told M.AYAD Ghobrial...to stop writing to the FIDE because...[he] had no qualification Inside ADEG to write to the directory of the Faith (sic)."

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Mr. Kasparov's email to you dated 15 June 2014, attaching numerous proofs and requesting that
the information for Gabon on the FIDE website be corrected immediately (in particular to
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to you dated 15 June 2014).

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- (1) all documents you relied on to change the list of ADEG's officers on FIDE's website at some time between 23 October 2013 and 15 February 2014;
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